

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/4/58

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (94-319)

SUBJECT: RALPH J. CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Re Milwaukee letter to Director, dated 12/13/57, entitled  
"TOP HOODLUM PROGRAM, ANTI-RACKETEERING, MILWAUKEE DIVISION."

This is to advise that RALPH J. CAPONE is known to [redacted]  
and [redacted] in the Milwaukee Division.

In regard to [redacted], he is acquainted with the activities  
in Iron County, Wisconsin, and is in a position to  
furnish information concerning the Subject should the  
Subject extend his activities into the infamous area of  
Hurley, Wisconsin.

[redacted] RALPH CAPONE and [redacted]

information that RALPH CAPONE [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted] have in the past, when contacted by  
Bureau Agents, furnished information concerning the  
Subject. It is to be noted that [redacted]

Inasmuch as RALPH CAPONE is considered to be a benevolent  
individual in the area of Mercer, Wisconsin, and it has  
in the past been reported to CAPONE when inquiry has been  
made in the area concerning him, extreme care is being  
exercised by the Milwaukee Office before attempting to  
develop additional informants in this unpopulated rural  
area.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

DATE: 1/4/58

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (94-319)

SUBJECT: RALPH J. CAPONE, was.  
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Re Milwaukee letter to Director, dated 12/13/57, entitled  
"TOP HOODLUM PROGRAM, ANTI-RACKETEERING, MILWAUKEE DIVISION."

RALPH J. CAPONE, Mercer, Wisconsin, is considered one of the  
individuals under investigation on the Top Hoodlum Program  
within the Milwaukee Division.

A recent check of the Motor Vehicle records at Madison,  
Wisconsin, fails to disclose any driver's license on vehicles  
registered under this Subject's name.

It has been noted that CAPONE travels in vehicles registered  
in the State of Wisconsin under the name of R. J. CAPPER,  
Mercer, Wisconsin.

The Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Department on January 2, 1958,  
made available a photostat copy of a renewal operator's  
license number 1240215 which was submitted to that department  
by a RALPH J. CAPPER, Box 126, Mercer, Wisconsin. It is  
believed that the Subject is using the alias RALPH J. CAPPER.

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the handwriting  
on the enclosed photostat to determine whether same might be  
identical to the handwriting that may appear on any fingerprint  
card for RALPH J. CAPONE, FBI #145581 to determine whether  
he is identical to RALPH J. CAPPER.

The photostat submitted need not be returned to Milwaukee.

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UNITED STATES DEPART

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Laboratory Work Sheet

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Re:

RALPH J. CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

File #  
Lab. #

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Examination requested by:

Date of reference communication: Milwaukee (94-319) Date received:

Examination requested: let 1/4/58 1/6/58

Result of Examination: Document

Examination by:

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Specimens submitted for examination

Qc1 Photocopy of renewal operator's license number 1240215  
submitted by a Ralph J. Capper, Box 146, Mercer, Wisconsin.

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ENCLOSURE



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

To: **FBI, Milwaukee (94-319)**

Date: **January 16, 1958**

Re: **RALPH J. CAPONE, was  
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*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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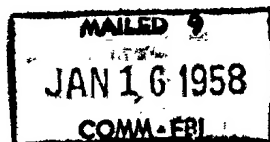
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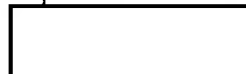
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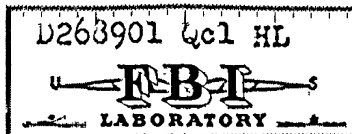
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1 enc. to FBI LAB. - Photostat copy  
of renewal operator's license number 1240215

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RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR OPERATOR'S  
LICENSE FEE \$1.00 DO NOT SEND STAMPS

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RENEWAL OPERATOR'S LICENSE

1240215

THIS LICENSE EXPIRES ON BIRTHDATE OF LICENSEE

Full Name RALPH T CAPPER  
Street or R. F. D. BOX 126

'59

Date of Birth Mo. Day Yr. 1 12 96 Postoffice MERCER  
Color of Eyes Brown Color of Hair BLACK Sex M Height 5-11 Weight 210 Race W

Usual Signature Ralph T. Capper  
(Do Not Print)

Business Address Retired

This operator's license is issued in accordance with the provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes subject to the restrictions on reverse side hereof and must be in the immediate possession of the licensee at all times while operating a motor vehicle.



State of Wisconsin  
Motor Vehicle Department

Do Not Write in This Space

Print—Don't Write—Use Black Ink or Typewriter Ribbon.  
Applications Filled Out in Pencil Will Be Returned.  
Give First—Middle or Maiden—Surname

DO NOT FOLD

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Write your present Wisconsin operator's license number here 112942  
ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS EXPIRATION DATE MAY 13/56

1. Has your operator's or chauffeur's license, your application for such license, or your privilege to obtain a license ever been denied, suspended, revoked or canceled in this or any other state or country NE  
If so, attach statement giving date, reason and address of court.

2. What is your occupation Retired

3. Have you any physical disabilities NE If so, describe

4. Are you subject to epileptic seizures NE

5. Have you ever been subject to epileptic seizures NE

6. Have you ever been adjudged an Idiot, Imbecile, Insane, Feeble-minded, Mentally Ill, Mentally Deficient, Habitual Drunkard, Habitual User of Narcotic or Harmful Drugs NE  
If so, state which NE  
If so, a certified copy of the judicial decree or superintendent's release declaring you restored to competency must accompany this application.

7. Are you deaf NE 8. Is your eyesight defective NE  
If so, is it corrected with glasses NE MAY 14 1956

I, the undersigned, in making this application certify that I have truthfully answered all questions contained herein and that I am aware that any false statement made on this application voids the license issued from this application.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE Ralph T. Capper MAY 11 1956  
(Do Not Print)

MVD 29-9-8-55-200M SEE INSTRUCTIONS M 1956 APR 25

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	DATE <b>JAN 14 1958</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>12/27,30,31/57;1/2,3/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE was. "Bottles"</b> <b>Ralph Caponi, Ralph J. Capper, R. J. Capper, James Carroll, James Carson, James Carter, James Costello Jr., Mr. Goetz, Ralph James, Harry Roberts, Harry White</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>JOSEPH S. WALKER</b>	TYPED BY <b>jl</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

SYNOPSIS:

RALPH JAMES CAPONE, FBI No. 145 581, allegedly born Naples, Italy 1/12/94. Claims naturalization through his father who was naturalized in 1906. Presently resides 2 1/2 miles east of Mercer, Wis. allegedly with mistress [redacted]. Has no known illegitimate activities in Wisconsin, considered a benevolent individual in Mercer, Wis. area. CAPONE allegedly arrested 1934 Ill. St. Police after complaints received had had reorganized remnants of his brother's old gang. CAPONE allegedly has legitimate enterprises Chicago and Cicero, Ill. area. Allegedly travels from Mercer, Wis. to Milwaukee, Wis. monthly and supposedly meets unknown individual using name [redacted] (ph). CAPONE allegedly has 500 cigarette vending machines, Chicago, Ill. area affording an income daily of 50¢ to \$1.50 from each machine. List of people known to be associates of CAPONE in past set out. CAPONE operates vehicles in Wis. registered in name R. J. CAPPER. Description and identification record set forth. CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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DETAILS:

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

The Chicago Office, by letter June 2, 1950, (Bufile 62-81093, Chicago Files 62-3679 and 62-4429), advised that RALPH J. CAPONE, upon interview by a Bureau agent on February 24 and 25, 1943, advised that he was born in Naples, Italy January 12, 1894 and is a naturalized citizen through his father who was naturalized in 1906. CAPONE stated that he attended Public School No. 14 in Brooklyn, New York and lived in that city until he was about twenty-six years of age. He came from a large family, having two sisters and seven brothers. At the age of eleven, he left school and went to work in a postal telegraph office on Flatbush Avenue in Brooklyn and then worked on different jobs such as streetcar conductor and in the insurance business. During the First World War, he was married and had a child and he enlisted in the U. S. Marines but was sent back from Paris Island, South Carolina because he had flat feet. He then went into the insurance business and was connected with the John Hancock Life Insurance Company but because of ill health, gave this up and went to work on one of the docks in Brooklyn.

A short time after that in 1922, he went to Chicago, Illinois, following his brother, ALPHONSE CAPONE who had gone there a few months previously. His mother also moved to Chicago shortly thereafter and by 1923, the whole CAPONE family was settled in Chicago. RALPH stated that he did not know what occasioned the family moving to Chicago - - only that AL went there and AL later asked him to come and finally the whole family decided to go to Chicago. RALPH advised that his first position in Chicago was during the era of prohibition and that he sold beer. He said that in 1931, he was convicted for income tax evasion and after a prison sentence of twenty-seven months, returned to Chicago in 1934. Since that time, he claimed to have operated the Waukesha Waters Inc. and had also been engaged in the wholesale distribution of beer. He said that after organizing the Waukesha Waters Inc., which was engaged in the distribution of mineral water from Waukesha Springs, Waukesha, Wisconsin, he entered into the brokerage business as a broker in cigarettes. This cigarette business was operated under the name of the Suburban Cigarette Service and was a cigarette vending machine business which netted him about \$10,000 a year. CAPONE indicated that in both the

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Waukesha Waters Company and the Suburban Cigarette Service, he operated as sole owner and he claimed to have had no partners in these ventures. He also stated that during the course of this business, he did some horse race betting and booking until approximately 1941 when he claimed to have been cut out of it. He stated that he did not operate any books as he was just not interested in booking, but that he did take some bets and that he still went to the racetrack sometimes and took a few bets.

While in the mineral water business, CAPONE claimed that he was in competition with such companies as White Rock and Canady Dry and that he sold mineral water to cafes, taverns, hotels, homes and anyone who would buy a half-gallon of water. He stated that his mineral water business had one-tenth of all business done with nightclubs and saloons in Chicago. He stated that he had also had an organization in Florida which was a branch of his Suburban Cigarette Service, but that he had liquidated this business in 1942.

It was determined in connection with another investigation conducted in 1945 that the Rex Hotel, located on Main Street, in Mercer, Wisconsin, was reported in 1945 to be owned by RALPH CAPONE who reportedly purchased it for \$65,000. The tavern part of this hotel was known as Billy's Bar.

RALPH CAPONE, upon interview by SA [REDACTED] at his Recap Lodge, Martha Lake, Mercer, Wisconsin during February, 1945 regarding the whereabouts of his brother, MATTHEW CAPONE who was then being sought on a charge of Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution - Murder, advised that MATT was the youngest brother and that Recap Lodge was being leased by him, RALPH, with an option to buy, and that none of his other brothers had an interest in it.

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T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in August, 1946, made available to a Bureau agent information to the effect that Billy's Bar, located in the Rex Hotel, Mercer, Wisconsin, operated by RALPH CAPONE from a period of July 1, 1945 to July 1, 1946, had the following officers:

WALTER MAZURA - agent - residence Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin, who was described as having lived at that place for fourteen years and to be retired;

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JAMES L. VALLE - President, Treasurer and Director - residence 4872 N. Larkin Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin who was stated to have resided in Wisconsin for forty years;

WALTER LIEBNER - Vice President and Director - residence, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. LIEBNER is now deceased and was formerly Vice President of the Milwaukee Solvay Coke Company and reportedly a wealthy individual;

JEAN M. KRUMDICK - Secretary and Director - residence, Mercer, Wisconsin. She is the former wife of WALTER KRUMDICK, owner of the Beaver Lodge, Mercer, Wisconsin.

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on August 21, 1946 advised an agent that in addition to the Recap Lodge and Rex Hotel in Mercer, Wisconsin, RALPH CAPONE had an interest in or owned the Beaver Lodge at that place and also a home in Mercer, Wisconsin where he, CAPONE, then resided. This informant advised further that RALPH CAPONE made trips to Chicago usually about once every three or four weeks and on those occasions stayed in Chicago for only one or two days.

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T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished information to the effect that [REDACTED]

T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on August 27, 1946 advised that [REDACTED]

T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on August 16, 1946 furnished an agent with information to the

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effect that in 1945, RALPH CAPONE stated his address as Mercer, Wisconsin, his occupation as tavern and hotel manager and his marital status as single. CAPONE indicated his income was \$3,201.00 derived from wages paid by Billy's Inc., Mercer, Wisconsin.

T-6, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, in the early part of 1946, advised an agent that in his opinion RALPH CAPONE was losing money in the operation of Billy's Bar and that he had heard rumors to the effect that CAPONE wanted to sell out for \$100,000. This informant stated that RALPH CAPONE did not operate any gambling devices in either his home or his place of business and mentioned also that at the time RALPH CAPONE took over Billy's Bar, the Thomson Anti-Gambling Law was passed in Wisconsin.

T-7, who has furnished reliable information in the past, during the early part of September, 1946, advised RALPH CAPONE was then living at Mercer, Wisconsin; that [redacted] resided with his grandmother at [redacted] and that [redacted] occasionally visited his father in Mercer, Wisconsin.

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T-8, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on July 12, 1946, advised that he believed RALPH CAPONE still owned the Suburban Cigarette Service.

T-9, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, in 1946, advised an agent that the Waukesha Waters Inc., in 1936 had rented space at 420 N. La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois and moved to 116 W. Hubbard Street in 1937 and subsequently moved to 3045 N. Clark Street, Chicago. This informant advised that one WILLIAM MULLALEY, who was running for a minor political office, was believed to have taken over the management of the Waukesha Waters Inc. as a "front man," but that it was his belief and understanding that RALPH CAPONE was actually the operator of the Waukesha Waters. Informant described the space of this concern as being very small and that the firm apparently had difficulty in paying its rent.

On April 25, 1956, [redacted] Deputy U. S. Marshal, Western District of Wisconsin, Superior, Wisconsin informed SA CLIFFORD E. HUHTA that recently he had tried to contact

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RALPH CAPONE at the Recap Lodge near Mercer, Wisconsin and was informed by one [redacted] that he was not available. [redacted] stated that he told [redacted] that he wanted to see CAPONE and that if she was lying to him, she was obstructing justice to which she replied "Well, just one minute." She then left the door and returned a few minutes later and stated "He's still not in." [redacted] stated that in the garage at Recap Lodge, which is just a little way from the house itself, he noticed a late model Pontiac station wagon with a metal type of body which was two-tone green in color, bearing 1957 Wisconsin License A39-497. He further informed that a check of Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Division records concerning this license number reflected that it was issued to one R. J. CAPPER, Box 158, Mercer, Wisconsin. He further informed that in the garage below the house at Recap Lodge was another vehicle which he described as a Buick Roadmaster sedan, light blue in color, with the following sticker on the rear of the car: "Axelson Buick - South Milwaukee." He stated that this car had Registration A39083, and according to his check with the Motor Vehicle Division Registration Section, this car was listed to owner R. J. CAPPER, Mercer, Wisconsin.

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[redacted] further informed that Bonnie and Joe's at Mercer, Wisconsin and the El Capitan, located between Hurley and Mercer, Wisconsin, [redacted] that according to the Iron County Register of Deeds Office, this place was heavily mortgaged in favor of one [redacted] whom [redacted] stated he believed may be identical with RALPH CAPONE.

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On December 30, 1957, [redacted] furnished the following description of RALPH CAPONE, advising that CAPONE also uses the name of RALPH CAPPER:

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Age	About 60
Height	Believed to be born in Italy
Weight	6'
Hair	250-55
Eyes	Black - but balding
Build	Wears horn-rimmed glasses
Complexion	Stocky
Relatives	Dark
	Father - unknown - believed deceased
	Mother - THERESA CAPONE - deceased
	Sister - MRS. MAFALDA MARTOTA,
	Chicago, Illinois or
	Cicero, Illinois



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Brothers - ALPHONSUS - deceased  
MATTHEW - whereabouts  
unknown  
WILLIAM (alias R. J. HART)  
deceased - was  
sheriff out West  
somewhere  
JOHN (alias JOHN MARTIN) -  
has bar and Italian  
restaurant at either  
61st or 63rd and Cottage  
Grove, Chicago, Ill.

[ ] stated that RALPH CAPONE stays at his residence, the Recap Lodge, two and one-half miles east of Mercer, Wisconsin most of the year; that he spends sometime at Cicero or Chicago, Illinois and sometimes travels to Florida, but that as far as he recalls, CAPONE will be in Mercer this winter. [ ] stated that he last saw CAPONE when he stopped at Bonnie and Joe's Tavern in Mercer during the deer hunting season, November, 1957. He stated that he did not see CAPONE on official business in 1957 but thought that he would stop just to see what he was doing. He stated that CAPONE paid up the delinquent Federal income tax and penalty assessed against him for non-payment of back taxes in the spring of 1957 and that at that time CAPONE showed [ ] a receipt for \$1300 which had been paid to the U. S. Attorney, Chicago, Illinois. He stated that this was the last payment he, [ ] had to collect. b6 b7C

[ ] stated he believes the original back income tax owed by CAPONE was about \$200,000 of which the last was paid back in the spring of 1957. b6 b7C

[ ] stated he believes that CAPONE's girl friend, [ ] is believed to be with him at Recap Lodge. In regard to further background on RALPH CAPONE, [ ] stated that in about 1951 or 1952, he had contacted one [ ] regarding CAPONE's presence at Mercer in order that he might contact CAPONE on his income tax delinquency. He said [ ] stated he would contact [ ] when he heard CAPONE was around. [ ] stated, however, that when he contacted Recap Lodge in 1952, which was the year that ANDY BORG, a Superior Attorney ran for representative in the Tenth Congressional District of Wisconsin against ALVIN O'KONSKI, he attempted to see CAPONE. At this time someone at the residence informed him RALPH was not there and did not invite him in. However, [ ] stated he could see that there was a party going on in the house and actually saw b6 b7C

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CAPONE in the house at the time. [ ] stated that when he finally got to see CAPONE, the latter accused someone in Hurley, Wisconsin of telling [ ] about the election party being held for O'KONSKI; that CAPONE stated that "the one in whose honor this party was supposed to be given was not there." meaning O'KONSKI. CAPONE then stated that he had [ ] license number and that he got it when [ ] had gone through Mercer. He told [ ] that if he would tell him who tipped him off about the election party, he, CAPONE, would tell him who gave him the information about his car being in Mercer, Wisconsin on a certain date. [ ] said that he told CAPONE he did not have to tell him who furnished his license number as he knew who had furnished the license number. [ ] stated that he reported this matter to the proper officials and that Police Officer [ ] whom he suspicioned as furnishing his license number to CAPONE, was subsequently fired. He said that thereafter CAPONE furnished employment to [ ] as a bartender.

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[ ] stated that [ ] told him when he accused [ ] that he had told CAPONE about [ ] that [ ] cried and told him he was getting \$25.00 a month from CAPONE as he could not live on the salary the City of Mercer paid him.

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[ ] stated that THERESA CAPONE, RALPH's mother, died approximately five years ago and that in March, 1952, the property (Recap Lodge) was turned over to the mother by one R. H. HART, brother of CAPONE. When THERESA died on November 29, 1952, the property was turned over to her daughter, MAFALDA MARTOTA. He further informed that RALPH CAPONE has paid the taxes on Recap Lodge in person at the Iron County Court House, Hurley, Wisconsin and has had the receipts made out to his sister, MRS. MARTOTA.

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[ ] stated he obtained the above information (the preceding paragraph) from notes he made when checking the property and he also made notes regarding a 1953 Pontiac station wagon, Wisconsin License A85-667 registered to R. J. CAPPER, Mercer, Wisconsin a couple of years ago. He stated that CAPONE still has an "A" license number on his new station wagon. He stated that CAPONE also has a Buick car at Recap Lodge.

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[ ] stated that a person who used to run a grocery store by the name of BRANDT at Mercer, Wisconsin as well as [ ] was named as [ ] at the time that THERESA CAPONE's inheritance tax was being set on

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the property owned by the CAPONES at Mercer, Wisconsin. He stated he is quite certain that the place known as the El Capitan, a few miles north of Mercer operated by [redacted] is financed through RALPH CAPONE and [redacted] of Bonnie and Joe's. He said that he once indicated to [redacted] that he believed the El Capitan was financed by CAPONE and that [redacted] did not deny it. [redacted] stated that he believes the El Capitan was in [redacted] name, but that the property has a mortgage in the name of MAFALDA MARTOTA.

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T-10, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on December 31, 1957 advised SA JOSEPH S. WALKER that [redacted]

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T-10 stated that [redacted]

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In regard to CAPONE's connections in the area, informant advised

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[REDACTED]

This informant said that [REDACTED]

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Informant advised that [REDACTED]

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Informant said that [REDACTED]

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On December 27, 1957, SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, after making inquiry in another official matter at Bonnie and Joe's Tavern in Mercer, Wisconsin, noted that a short time later on the same day, a 1953 Pontiac station wagon was parked at Bonnie and Joe's Tavern which resembled a vehicle in which SA WALKER has previously noted CAPONE traveling. The license number of this car was issued to R. J. CAPPER, Mercer, Wisconsin.

[redacted] State of Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Department, Madison, Wisconsin on January 2, 1958 informed SA ELDON J. MUELLER that the records in that Department do not reflect an operator's license for RALPH J. or R. J. CAPONE, but the records do reflect a RALPH J. CAPPER, Box 126, Mercer, Wisconsin has Wisconsin (current) operator's license 1240215 and previously was issued old Wisconsin operator's license 112942. She advised that the current operator's license expires on the operator's birthday in 1959. This license reflected the following description for the Applicant:

Name	RALPH J. CAPPER
Birthdate	1/12/96
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Sex	Male
Race	White
Weight	210
Occupation	Retired

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[redacted] made available a photostat of the current application for Wisconsin operator's license and same is being forwarded to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the known signatures of RALPH J. CAPONE to determine whether he is identical to RALPH J. CAPPER. b6 b7C

[redacted] State of Wisconsin, Motor Vehicle Department, Registration Section, Madison, Wisconsin on January 2, 1958 advised SA ELDON J. MUELLER that the files in that Department do not reflect a motor vehicle registration for RALPH J. CAPONE or R. J. CAPONE. She informed that the following vehicles have been registered to R. J. CAPPER, Mercer, Wisconsin: b6 b7C

1. 1957 Wisconsin License A39083 issued to a 1955 Buick two-door, Ident. No. 7B1012858, registered to R. J. CAPPER, Mercer, Wisconsin under Wisconsin Title C411354. In regard to the background on this vehicle, the record reflected that it was purchased new on December 22, 1954 from Axelson's Buick Inc., South Milwaukee, Wis. and that when car was purchased, it had a lien in favor of GMAC, Milwaukee. This car previously was registered in Wisconsin with 1956 License A85668.
2. 1957 Wisconsin License A39497 issued to 1953 Pontiac station wagon, Ident. No. P8XH109403 for R. J. CAPPER, Box 158, Mercer, Wisconsin under Wisconsin title C133637A. The record further reflects that this car was purchased May 11, 1954 from Douglas W. Hess, Pelican Lake, Wisconsin.
3. 1955 Wisconsin License A85668, issued for 1953 Buick two door, Ident. No. V1464807, to R. J. CAPPER, Mercer, Wisconsin under Wisconsin Title C82591A. This car was purchased new on June 5, 1953 from the Point Motor Sales, Ironwood, Michigan. b7D

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B. CRIMINAL RECORD

The following is RALPH J. CAPONE's identification record under FBI No. 145 581 as of December 26, 1957:

<u>Contributor of Fingerprints</u>	<u>Name and Number</u>	<u>Arrested or Rec'd</u>	<u>Charge</u>	<u>Disposition</u>
Police Department New Orleans Louisiana	Ralph Capone #10972	1/30/28	1436 Dangerous and suspicious no visible means of support	discharged
Police Department Memphis, Tennessee	Ralph James Capone #10146	2/ 5/28	inv.	released
USM Chicago, Ill.	Ralph J. Capone #--	10/ 9/29	T 18 Sec. 35 Int. Rev. Act.	three years \$10,000 fine
USP-Leavenworth Kansas	Ralph J. Capone #39888	11/ 7/31	failure to pay income taxes	3 years
USP McNeil Island, Wash.	Ralph J. Capone #9346	12/10/31 in trans from Leavenworth Pen.	failure to pay Income Tax	3 years(five \$10,000 costs fines 2/27/34, dis- charged minimum term
USM, Chicago, Ill.	Ralph J. Capone #18597	3/19/51	evasion of income tax	pending
USM, Chicago, Ill.	Ralph Capone #19526	1/17/52	false income tax	pending

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[redacted], State of Wisconsin, Motor Vehicle Department, on January 2, 1958 informed SA ELDON J. MUELLER that the files in that Department reflect that RALPH J. CAPPER, on March 31, 1957, received a warning for passing in a no passing zone on Highway 41 in Washington County, Wisconsin; that at the time CAPPER was driving a 1958 Buick two-door, Wisconsin License A39083; that on July 1, 1955, RALPH J. CAPPER of Mercer, Wisconsin was arrested for speeding at Shawano, Wisconsin and disposition of his case was made in Justice Court in that city; that on May 8, 1954, RALPH J. CAPPER, DOB January 12, 1896, was arrested for speeding and forfeited \$25.05 and costs in Municipal Court, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

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C. ASSOCIATES

The Chicago Office on June 2, 1950 (Bufile 62-81093, Chicago Files 62-3679 and 62-4429) advised that it was reported in 1946 that the following individuals were associates of RALPH CAPONE:

JACK GUZIK, alias "Greasy Thumb." Prominent hoodlum connected with Chicago gambling and allegedly one of the heads of the present alleged syndicate. Upon interview by Bureau agents in 1943, RALPH CAPONE admitted that during the prohibition era he had been in partnership with JACK GUZIK in the beer business.

HARRY GUZIK (deceased). Member of the old CAPONE gang; formerly prominent in Chicago vice and gambling.

HYMIE LEVIN, alias "Loud Mouth." Former member of the CAPONE gang and one of the reported heads of the present alleged syndicate.

JOE FUSCO. Former CAPONE hoodlum and present owner of Gold Seal Liquors, wholesale liquor distributors.

MIKE POTSON. Former CAPONE hoodlum and owner of Colosimo's Restaurant.

MURRY HUMPHREYS, alias "The Camel." Former member of the CAPONE gang and one of the reported leaders of the alleged syndicate, prominent in connection with gambling and labor racketeering.

TONY ACCARDO, alias Joe Batters. Former CAPONE hoodlum presently reported connected with gambling and a prominent figure in the alleged syndicate.



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FRANK MARITOTE alias Frank Diamond. Former CAPONE hoodlum presently serving 10 years in connection with the Bioff Extortion Case.

LOUIS CAMPAGNA. Former CAPONE hoodlum who was sentenced to serve ten years in connection with the Browne Bioff Extortion Case.

LOUIS HEENEY. Former CAPONE hoodlum.

JOE CORNGOLD. Former CAPONE hoodlum.

CLAUDE MADDOX, alias Johnny Moore. Former CAPONE mobster presently connected with gambling in Cicero.

TERRY DRUGGAN. Not a member of the CAPONE gang but allegedly was friendly with RALPH. Was formerly operator of several illicit breweries during prohibition.

WILLIAM GOODREAU, Mercer, Wisconsin. Former owner of the Rex Hotel in Mercer.

CHARLES and ROCCO FISCHETTI. Cousins of RALPH and presently connected with gambling activities in Chicago.

Of these individuals, JACK GUZIK, HYMIE LEVIN, JOE FUSCO, MURRY HUMPHREYS, TONY ACCARDO, LOUIS CAMPAGNA, CHARLES and ROCCO FISCHETTI are reportedly members of the alleged Chicago crime syndicate.

RALPH CAPONE was reportedly named as a friend of RALPH PIERCE, reportedly a member of the alleged Chicago crime syndicate.

RALPH CAPONE was reportedly a friend and associate of JOSEPH JOHN AIUPPA, alias Joey O'Brien, who was alleged to be connected with the outstanding gangsters in Cook County.


T-11, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on December 27, 1957 advised SA JOSEPH S. WALKER that

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T-12, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on September 20, 1956 advised SA JOSEPH S. WALKER that 



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#### D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

The Chicago Office, by letter June 2, 1950, (Bufile 62-81093, Chicago Files 62-3679 and 62-4429) advised that it was alleged that an unknown newspaper reflected that in April, 1926, RALPH CAPONE was arrested with CHARLES FISCHETTI, who is a reported member of the alleged Chicago crime syndicate, in a flat at 1924 South 49th Street, at which time five shotguns, seven revolvers, and one machine gun were seized. Charges in this matter were later dropped.

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It was alleged that during November, 1926 CAPONE was arrested as a suspect in the killing of Assistant State's Attorney WILLIAM H. MC SWIGGIN, but that he was released after questioning.

It was alleged that on June 30, 1929 RALPH CAPONE was arrested at Colosimo's Restaurant (a former hangout of the members of the alleged Capone crime syndicate), at which time a number of guns were found under the table. This case was later dismissed.

It was alleged that on January 12, 1930 two nightclubs, namely, the Cotton Club, 5342 W. 22nd Street, and the Montmartre, unidentified, allegedly owned by RALPH CAPONE in Cicero, were raided.

According to the Chicago Daily Tribune of April 26, 1930, RALPH CAPONE was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury at Chicago, Illinois, charged with income tax evasion. The Government testimony in this case revealed that RALPH CAPONE had deposited \$1,871,000 in seven accounts under his own name and various aliases at the Pinkert State Bank, Cicero, from 1924 to 1929, and it was estimated that he owed the Government in tax penalties and interest more than \$300,000. CAPONE denied these allegations, claiming that he was a gambler and had sustained heavy losses during the above years in operating a race book. Subsequently CAPONE was found guilty and on June 16, 1930, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment in a Federal Penitentiary and fined \$10,000. He was received at the U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas on November 7, 1931 and completed his sentence on February 27, 1934 at McNeil Island Penitentiary, McNeil Island, Washington, to which place he had been transferred.

The Chicago Tribune of August 23, 1934 contained an article to the effect that on the preceding day, RALPH CAPONE was arrested with nine other individuals by the police from the State's Attorney's Office in a raid on a flat above a tavern in Berwyn, Illinois. According to this article, they were questioned concerning complaints made to the State's Attorney that CAPONE had reorganized the remnants of his brother's old gang to force saloon owners in the western part of Cook County to buy the beer from the Great Lakes Brewery, Calumet City, Illinois. This article related that one of the men arrested with CAPONE was EDWARD J. KONVALINKA, age 40, 2439 50th Avenue, Cicero, Republican committeeman in that suburb and also Republican candidate for State Senator from the 18th District. According to this article, RALPH CAPONE, KONVALINKA, and the other men arrested with them denied using any strong-arm

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methods in the sale of Great Lakes Brewery beer, and officials of this concern were reportedly contacted but denied that CAPONE and his associates had any connection with the brewery or its sales force.

This article mentioned further that according to statements attributed to WILBERT F. CROWLEY, then First Assistant to the State's Attorney, and Lieutenant THOMAS KELLY, then Assistant to Captain DANIEL GILBERT, Chief Investigator for the State's Attorney's Office, the procedure by which CAPONE was alleged to be coercing saloonkeepers was by circulating throughout the western suburbs and into the outlying sections of the south side of Chicago, insisting that tavernkeepers take the Great Lakes beer. When the tavernkeepers demurred, CAPONE's "sales force" would leave a barrel of beer, telling the tavernkeeper to use it and pay for it later.

This article reported further that during the investigation by the State authorities, CAPONE and the others were allegedly questioned concerning an alleged tie-up with officials in Cicero and neighboring suburbs by which the saloons not taking the beer had to observe the 1:00 AM closing law, while saloons using the beer could stay open later. This article stated that it had been reported that if a saloonkeeper took the beer, he could display and operate slot machines, while he could not have the machines if he refused the beer.

T-13, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, on June 1, 1935 advised an agent that JOHN HAMILTON, who was then being sought as a fugitive, was "hooked up in some way with the CAPONE gang," and indicated that RALPH CAPONE was in touch with HAMILTON. This informant stated that during the summer of 1934, HAMILTON made frequent visits to the Silver Slipper Roadhouse, the Hi-Lo Cabaret, and a tavern at 6725 S. Ashland, all reportedly owned by CAPONE or the CAPONE interests.

T-14, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, during April, 1936, advised an agent that RALPH CAPONE and his mob were located in the Hawthorne Hotel, Cicero, Illinois, which hotel was used as a headquarters, and that members of the syndicate patronized him, among them, RALPH CAPONE.

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T-16, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on November 18, 1939 referred to RALPH CAPONE, FRANK NITTI (deceased), and "LITTLE NEW YORK" CAMPAGNA as CAPONE syndicate leaders.

T-17, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, during the latter part of April, 1940 advised that for a period of several years a restaurant known as Smitty's Grill at Dearborn and Monroe Streets, Chicago, was owned by RALPH CAPONE, and that this place was used as a meeting place for those in the rackets.

T-18, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the Chicago Tribune of November 27, 1940 carried an article to the effect that the State's Attorney's Office for Cook County was investigating the sale of bottled water in taverns and said that inquiry into the hoodlum control of the Bartenders Union had brought to the attention of State authorities the fact that Chicago hoodlums were trying to gain control of the sale of bottled water to taverns. These efforts to control mineral and soda water sales to taverns were allegedly being made by representatives of Waukesha Waters, Inc., 116 W. Hubbard, in which RALPH CAPONE was said to have an interest, and by representatives of the Havana Beverage Company, 3410 W. Lake Street, in which JOHN CAPONE, RALPH's brother, was interested. This article allegedly stated that muscle methods of salesmanship had not been resorted to but that one tavern owner was quoted as having expressed the thought that it was considered prudent to keep some of the soda and mineral water of these concerns in his tavern "in case some of the boys drop in."

T-19, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, advised during June, 1946 that while in Miami, Florida, he learned that a beer distributing company claimed that it had to push the sale of Manhattan beer for the reason that RALPH CAPONE was then in control of the Bartenders Union in Florida.

Newspaper accounts dated September 9, 1943, name of paper not known, reflected that a suit against RALPH CAPONE for \$24,400 due Cook County from 1932 for personal property taxes was dropped by the State's Attorney's Office in Circuit Court. This article stated that the Sheriff was unable to find CAPONE, the Court was told.

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T-20, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in 1944 advised an agent that RALPH CAPONE, together with other hoodlums, including MURRAY HUMPHREYS and CLAUDE MADDOX, both reported members of the alleged Chicago crime syndicate, was obtaining money from Local 705 of the American Federation of Labor Teamsters Union in Chicago. This informant advised that in 1943, RALPH CAPONE, MURRAY HUMPHREYS and CLAUDE MADDOX requested a fee of \$200,000 from this union for assuring the officials of the union that the election of union officials in 1943 would not be accompanied by any violence or bloodshed. This informant advised that JOHN O'BRIEN, known as SANDY O'BRIEN, business agent for American Federation Local 710 of the Teamsters Union, and FRANK BROWN, President of the Teamsters Joint Council, were collectors of funds from forty-seven locals under their jurisdiction, and that these funds were turned over by them to RALPH CAPONE.

An article appearing in the Chicago Daily News, dated March 11, 1944, entitled "What 'Heat Boys' Are Doing Today," contained information regarding various Chicago hoodlums. Regarding RALPH CAPONE, this article stated:

"RALPH CAPONE, elder brother of ALPHONSE. Got on the list chiefly through that relationship; never too heavy in the mob; served three years for income tax violation; hangs his hat in the Knickerbocker Hotel and at 4300 Marine Drive; operates a charged water business at 116 Hubbard Street and has some cigarette vending machines."

The Chicago Sun newspaper dated April 27, 1944 contained an article entitled "Forty-One Gangsters Called Before Grand Jury." This article stated that virtually every hoodlum and underworld figure of consequence in the Chicago area was included among forty-one men subpoenaed by the April Grand Jury on the previous day as the starting point of what the State's Attorney's Office described as "an investigation into 'Who's Who' in Gangland Strife." Among others named in this article was RALPH CAPONE, who was described as "brother of Scarface Al and a lesser member of Al's old gang."

T-21, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in September, 1944, advised an agent that the syndicate at Cicero, Illinois was believed to be in the absolute control of RALPH CAPONE. This informant stated that it was rumored that RALPH CAPONE may still be taking orders with regard to syndicate activities from his brother, AL. This informant named RALPH

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CAPONE's lieutenants in Cicero as being JACK GUZIK, in charge of gambling; EDDY VOGEL, slot and pinball machines; JOEY AIUPPA, wa. Joey O'Brien, in charge of books, card and dice games, and RICHARD J. HART, in charge of cigarette vending machines. The first three lieutenants are reportedly members of the alleged Chicago crime syndicate and RICHARD J. HART is an alleged relative of RALPH CAPONE.

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T-22, who has furnished reliable information in the past, made information available as of March 2, 1945 to the effect that



T-23, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported that around February, 1946, RALPH CAPONE visited in Dallas, Texas and while there, associated with JAMES and [REDACTED] WEINBERG, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] all reportedly Chicago hoodlums who allegedly were trying to take over the slot machine racket in Dallas and were shipping beer and liquor from Chicago to Dallas.

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T-24, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, on August 1, 1946 advised an agent that he had overheard a certain individual tell some friends that there had been rumors that RALPH CAPONE was going to take over the business of the Continental Press, a racing news wire service, which was then operated by JAMES M. RAGEN, who has since been assassinated. However, according to this informant, RALPH's brother, AL CAPONE, who was then confined in a Federal Penitentiary, opposed this plan as he thought it might hinder his chances of being released, and as a result of AL's suggestion, this business was not taken over. After AL's release, the CAPONE interests allegedly made an offer to buy half or all of the RAGEN business, but RAGEN wanted too much money for his interest and the deal fell through.

T-25, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, during September, 1946 advised an agent that upon instructions of AL CAPONE, his brother, RALPH CAPONE came to Columbus, Ohio and financially aided [REDACTED] in operating the Aragon Grill on N. High Street which informant stated was a gambling establishment. [REDACTED] allegedly was an associate of gangsters and racketeers.

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T-26, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported that AL CAPONE, the brother of RALPH CAPONE, and AL's family visited with RALPH CAPONE at Mercer, Wisconsin during August and September, 1946.

✓ The Chicago Sun newspaper for January 26, 1947 contained an article entitled, "Capone's Pals Still in Rackets" and discussed many of AL CAPONE's associates. This article stated among other things "RALPH CAPONE - AL's older brother, now removed from the Chicago scene.--Long engaged in the Capone enterprises here, he now owns a lodge and tavern in Mercer, Wisconsin, but in the heyday of the CAPONES, he was cashier of the syndicate."

The Chicago American of September 17, 1947 contained an article to the effect that the Summerdate Station of the Chicago Police Department maintained a gallery containing photographs of "Chicago's 29 Top Hoodlums." Among others, the photograph of RALPH CAPONE was included in this gallery.

T-27, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that it was alleged during the fall of 1947 that RALPH CAPONE spent most of his time at the Recap Lodge near Mercer, Wisconsin and that he still owned the Rex Hotel in Mercer and was frequently seen in Billy's Bar, located in this hotel. It was further alleged that confidential police sources related that as far as they knew, RALPH CAPONE had not been active in any activity around Chicago nor had he been seen in Chicago.

T-28, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, on February 17, 1950 advised an agent that RALPH CAPONE, among others, was a key member of a syndicate operating throughout the country.

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[redacted] advised SAs CLIFFORD E. HUHTA and [redacted]  
at Mercer, Wisconsin on August 25, 1954 that [redacted]  
[redacted] RALPH CAPONE, brother of the late AL CAPONE, noting  
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[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] stated that CAPONE also returned from Chicago about one day before a political figure was murdered in Chicago in recent years. [REDACTED] advised that on August 24, 1954, a strange sea plane landed on Martha Lake and was ferried to the dock at Recap Lodge. [REDACTED] at this time advised that he was of the opinion that some of the individuals involved in these recent gang killings were flown to the Recap Lodge and were at the time being hidden out until things "cooled off." [REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RALPH CAPONE, he believes that CAPONE has too many connections on the Chicago Police Department and that under no circumstances was this information to be furnished to the Chicago Police Department unless it could be done so in an exceptionally discreet manner. [REDACTED] also stated that [REDACTED]

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T-29, who has furnished reliable information in the past subsequent to the interview of [REDACTED] on August 25, 1954, advised that [REDACTED] CAPONE and his family for many years and voluntarily mentioned that RALPH knows something about recent murders in Chicago. Informant also voluntarily mentioned that CAPONE returned to northern Wisconsin from Chicago just prior to a gang killing in Chicago. He noted that CAPONE returned to Mercer from Chicago on August 19, 1954 or August 20, 1954. Informant stated that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Informant did not explain how or why CAPONE would be interested or involved in the recent murders of CHARLES "CHERRY NOSE" GIOE or FRANK MARTOTTE.

T-30, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that LOUIS "LITTLE NEW YORK" CAMPAGNA recently arrived in northern Wisconsin; that it is to be noted that CAMPAGNA has a brother, [REDACTED] was. [REDACTED] a sister, [REDACTED] and a niece, [REDACTED] whom he visits

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[REDACTED] T-30 furnished the above information on August 25, 1954.

T-29, on March 30, 1954, advised that [REDACTED] b7D  
[REDACTED] RALPH CAPONE who at that time was in Las Vegas, Nevada, allegedly for the purpose of negotiating for the purchase of the "Flamingo," in Las Vegas, Nevada, but that he, CAPONE, "could not swing the deal."

E. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

The Chicago Office, by letter June 2, 1950, (Bufile 62-81093, Chicago Files 62-3679 and 62-4429) furnished the following information regarding RALPH CAPONE's connection with various business enterprises in the Chicago area:

During interview had with RALPH CAPONE by Bureau agents on February 24 and 25, 1943, he advised that he had established and was the sole owner of the Suburban Cigarette Service located at 2417 Laramie Street, Cicero, Illinois.

T-31, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, advised on June 6, 1946 that the Havana Beverage Company, 3410 W. Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois was owned by RALPH CAPONE.

T-32, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that as of June 7, 1945, the officers of the Havana Beverage Company were ANTHONY CALABRESE, President, reportedly active in the real estate business and garage business: [REDACTED] b6 b7C

[REDACTED] who reportedly was previously employed in the building supply line. This informant advised further that the Havana Beverage Company was an Illinois corporation chartered December 22, 1931, which had an authorized capital of \$5,000 of no par value stock and that the assets of this company, as of June 5, 1945, were stated to be \$70,025.19, with liabilities of \$5,597.95. The sales for the year 1944 were estimated by this informant as being in excess of \$60,000.

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T-33, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on June 25, 1946 advised that the Havana Beverage Company was the official ginger ale and beverage sales agency for the CAPONE syndicate during prohibition and the company was originally financed in 1931 by [redacted]

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[redacted] reportedly a known Chicago hoodlum. This informant made available a newspaper clipping from the Chicago Tribune dated November 27, 1940 which stated that RALPH CAPONE had an interest in the Havana Beverage Company which was at that time being investigated by the State's Attorney's Office.

During May, 1943, ANTHONY CALABRESE, president of the Havana Beverage Company, during an interview with a special agent, advised that it had been rumored that RALPH CAPONE was employed by his concern. MR. CALABRESE, however, emphatically denied that RALPH CAPONE was in any way associated with this concern and stated in fact that CAPONE was his competitor.

T-34, who has furnished insufficient information on which to judge his reliability, in July, 1944, advised a special agent that in 1942, [redacted] identity unknown, who was then

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[redacted] at the suggestion of RALPH CAPONE and LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ, who was reportedly convicted in Federal Court in 1936 for an income tax violation, took over the management of the Towne Club, Cicero, Illinois. RALPH CAPONE and LIPSCHULTZ were allegedly the owners of this establishment and according to this informant, in December, 1942, the Towne Club was burned down by CAPONE and LIPSCHULTZ and they collected \$20,000 insurance after the fire. This money, according to informant, was later used by them in the purchase of the Club Morocco. Informant also advised that RALPH CAPONE and LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ also owned the 4811 Club, Cicero; the Paddock Club, Cicero; the Storm Club, N. State Street, Chicago; the Happy Hour Club, located across the street from the Hotel Sherman in Chicago; the Tap Room of the Devonshire Hotel, Chicago, and Rinella's Brown Derby Theatre Dafe, Wabash and Monroe Streets, Chicago. All of these places are reportedly patronized by hoodlums.

T-35, who has furnished reliable information in the past, in June, 1946, advised an agent that he had received information to the effect that RALPH CAPONE and MIMI CAPONE, brothers of AL CAPONE, had purchased an interest in the Palomar Hotel, 364 O'Farrell Street, San Francisco, and that it would be used as a hideout.

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The Capital Times, of Madison, Wisconsin, under date of August 22, 1951, carried an article which reflected that RALPH J. CAPONE resigned as manager of the Rex Hotel and Billy's Bar, Mercer, Wisconsin, and that the properties were being sold at public auction. The article noted that A. L. FEL was listed as one of the directors of Billy's Inc., Mercer, Wisconsin. It is noted that Billy's is the tavern located in the Rex Hotel in Mercer, Wisconsin wherein information in this report previously reflected that both the Rex Hotel and Billy's Bar were actually owned by RALPH CAPONE even though the incorporation papers at the time did list other names.

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F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT OR HANGOUTS FREQUENTED

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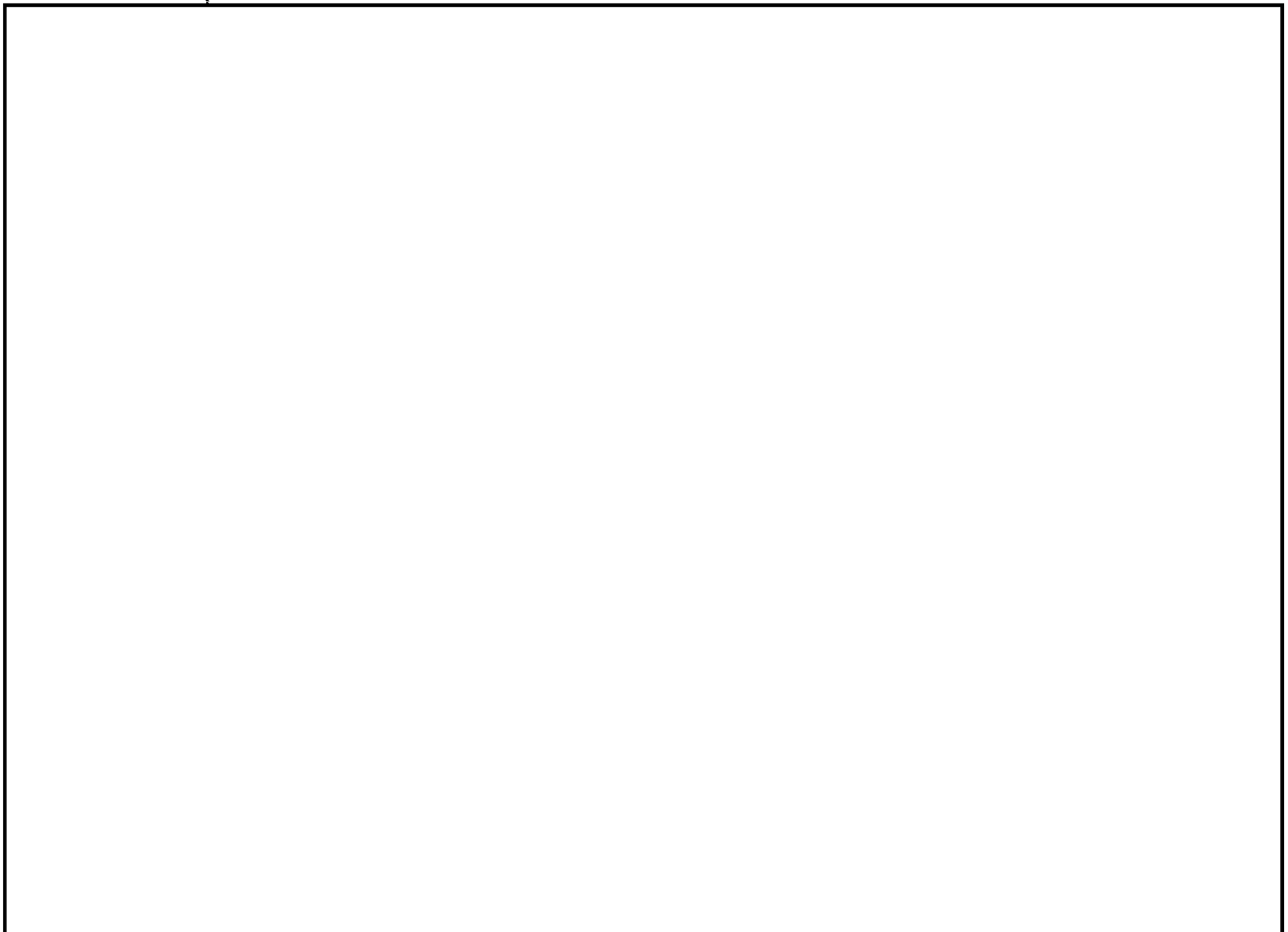
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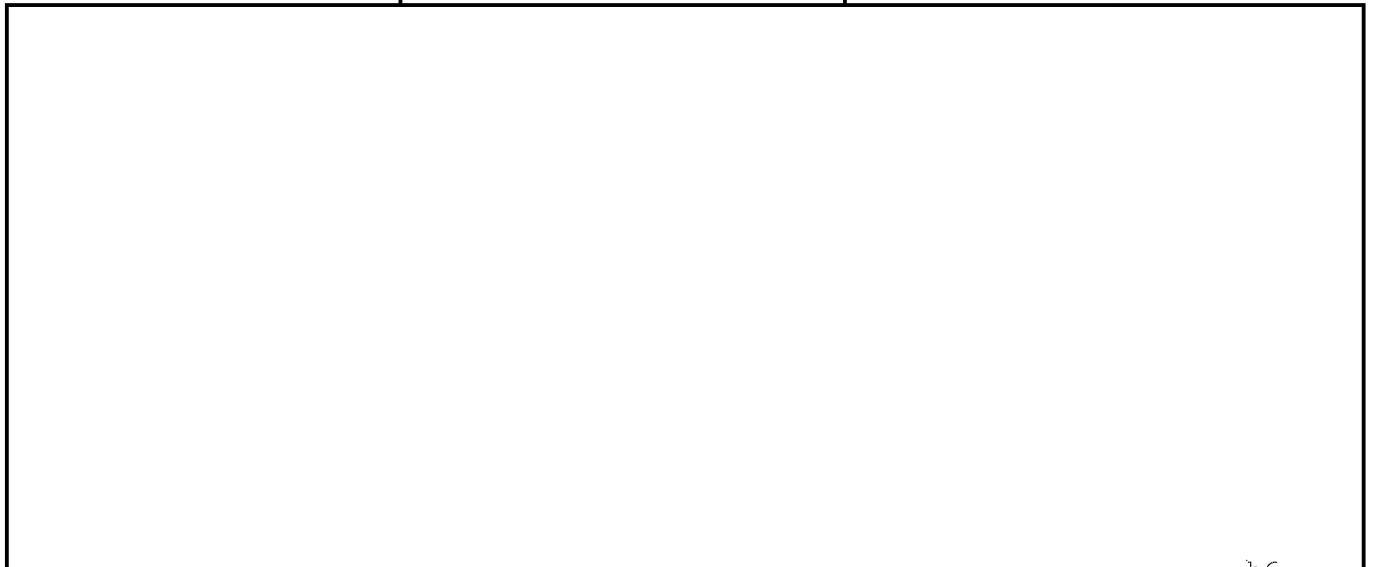
On August 19, 1957, the Milwaukee Chief of Police received a Personal and Confidential letter from [redacted] U. S. Attorney's Office, Chicago, which stated that he had just

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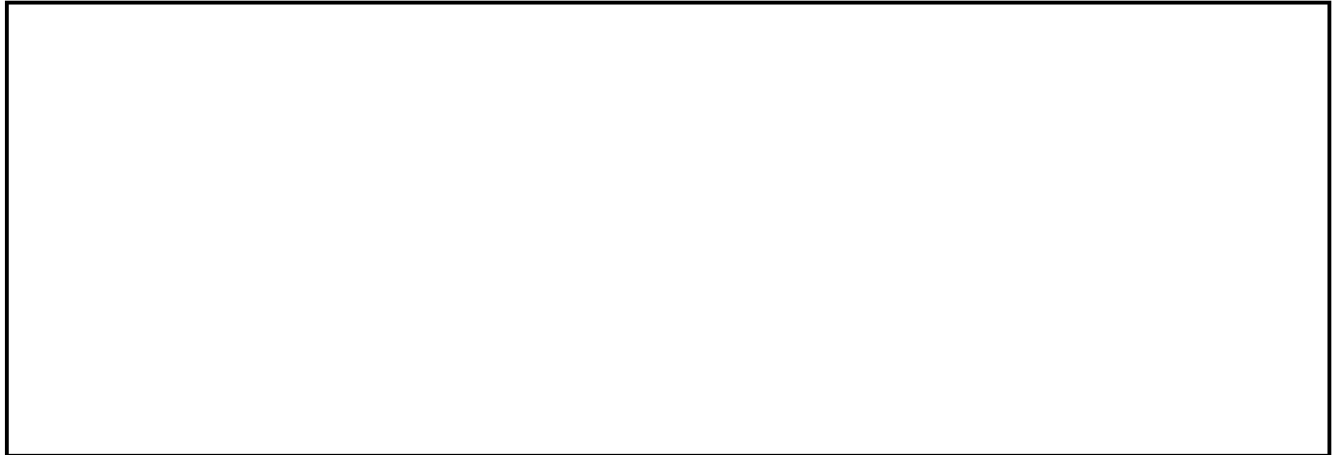
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On December 19, 1957, [redacted] Milwaukee Police  
Department Hotel Squad, advised SA [redacted] that he believed

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G. TRAVEL



It is to be noted that Chicago Police Department files reflect that CAPONE has on occasion travelled to Milwaukee from Ironwood, Michigan by plane. Subject has also travelled to Milwaukee by car and the route he travels is indicated by the fact that he has received traffic tickets along Highways 45 and 41 while possibly en route to Milwaukee; that he travels in vehicles issued in the name of R. J. CAPPER, Mercer, Wisconsin.

H. PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES

Subject's habits and peculiarities do not appear to be generally known in the northern Wisconsin area. However, he is considered in the area of Mercer, Wisconsin to be a respectable benevolent retired businessman who has in the past years made various donations to charities in the community.

# I. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AND PHOTOGRAPH

The following is a description of RALPH J. CAPONE as noted through observation, as obtained in 1946 from the information in his Selective Service file and on fingerprint cards in the U. S. Penitentiary, McNeil Island, Washington:

Age	64	
Birth Data	1/12/94-Naples, Italy	
Height	5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	
Weight	210	
Complexion	Dark	
Eyes	Dark Brown	b6
Hair	Black - curly	b7C
Nationality	American	
Photograph	Available	
Scars and Marks	Tattoo 5-pointed star with initials "R.C." left forearm posterior	
Relatives		
<div></div>	<div></div> divorced - present whereabouts unknown; believed to reside New York City	
<div></div>	<div></div> - age 29(1950) home address listed as <div></div> ; said to use alias <div></div>	
Mother	THERESA CAPONE - deceased	
Sister	MAFALDA MARITOTE - 7244 Prairie Avenue - age 34 (1950) - Chicago	
Brother-in-law	JOHN MARITOTE - husband of MAFALDA - age 38 (1950) - 7244 Prairie Avenue - Cgo. (JOHN <div></div> and employed as motion picture operator)	
<div></div>	<div></div> age 14 (1950) - <div></div>	
<div></div>	<div></div> - age 33 (1950) - <div></div>	
Brother	ALPHONSE CAPONE - deceased - formerly 93 Palm Ave., Palm Island, Miami Beach, Fla.	
Sister-in-law	MAE COUGHLIN CAPONE - wife of ALPHONSE - same address	
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Brother	SALVATORE CAPONE wa. Frank Caponi. (deceased; killed by police in 4/24 in Cicero, Ill. election row)	



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Brother	JOHN ERMIE NO CAPONE - age 4 (1950) resides under name JAMES MARTIN, 5338 S. Hyde Park Avenue-Apt. 202- Chicago
Brother	ALBERT JOHN CAPONE - reportedly changed name of ALBERT ROSS in 10/42; last known to reside 2240 S. Scoville, Berwyn, Ill.; wife, DOROTHY ROSS, resided Towne Hotel, Cicero, 1944.
Brother	MATTHEW CAPONE - age 37 (1950) - present address unknown; in 1944 claimed to live 7244 Prairie Ave., Chicago
Sister-in-Law	[redacted] - wife [redacted] [redacted] - age 15 (1950); last known to be attending Shattuck Military Academy, Minneapolis, Minn.
Cousin	CHARLES FISCHETTI-3100 N. Sheridan Road., Chicago
Cousin	ROCCO FISCHETTI, 3100 North Sheridan Road-Chicago

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T-1 - [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] which information is set forth in the report of SA JOSEPH G. FELLNER, Milwaukee, 8/9/46 in case captioned "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG; MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION; CRIME SURVEY," Chicago File 62-3679-786.

T-2 - [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] who did not desire that his identity be disclosed and who furnished information set out in report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 9/12/46 entitled "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG; MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION; CRIME SURVEY," Chicago File 62-3679-1346.

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T-3 - Information from the [redacted] of RALPH CAPONE [redacted] which was confidentially furnished by the [redacted] Bufile 62-81093 - report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 8/21/46 in case entitled "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago file 62-3679-924-Pg. 24.

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T-4 - Photostat of CAPONE's [redacted] Bufile 62-81093 - report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 9/12/46 captioned "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-1346-Pg. 6

T-5 - [redacted] who made available Wis. St. Income Tax Return of RALPH J. CAPONE. Bufile 62-81093. Report SA JOSEPH G. FELLNER, MI, 10/30/46 in case entitled "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-2058-Pg. 16.

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T-6 - [redacted] Bufile 62-81093. Report SA JOSEPH G. FELLNER, Milwaukee, 10/30/46 "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-2058 Pg. 22.

T-7 - CG-5633 which was a technical surveillance on ANTHONY ACCARDO, 9/46. Bufile 62-81093. Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 9/12/46 "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-1346.

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T-8 - [redacted] Informant has known of various hoodlums and hoodlum activities in Cicero, Ill. Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 8/21/46 "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-924-Pgs. 32 and 36.

T-9 - [redacted] Bufile 62-81093. Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 8/21/46 "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-924 - Pg. 39.

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T-10 - [redacted] who furnished information to SA JOSEPH S. WALKER 12/31/57.

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- T-11 - [ ] who furnished information to SA JOSEPH S. WALKER  
12/27/57. b7D
- T-12 - [ ] who furnished information to SA JOSEPH S. WALKER  
9/20/56.
- T-13 - [ ] Report SA R. C. SURAN  
Chicago, 6/7/35 in case entitled "JOHN PAUL CHASE was.;  
JOHN HAMILTON was. et al - NMVTA," Chicago File 26-5685-5823. b6 b7C b7D
- T-14 - [ ] for about one year prior to the repeal of the 18th  
Amendment, 1931. Report SA R. C. SURAN, Chicago, 4/26/36  
entitled "ALVIN KARPIS was. et al; EDWARD JOSEPH BRENNER -  
VIKID," Chicago File 7-82-7833 - Pg. 10. Referral/Consult b6 b7C b7D
- T-15 - [ ]  
Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 8/21/46 "REACTIVATION  
OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-  
924 - Pg. 32.
- T-16 - Confidential Informant [ ]  
who had reliable information re underworld connections and  
their activities. Chicago letter to Director under P and C  
cover 11/20/39. Chicago File 66-647. b6 b7C b7D
- T-17 - CI [ ] for week  
4/26/40 which was confidentially furnished the Chicago Office.  
Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 8/21/46 "REACTIVATION OF  
THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-924-Pg. 32. b7D
- T-18 - Confidential records of [ ] which were  
examined by SA. Bufile 62-81093. Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD,  
Chicago, 10/2/46 "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;  
CS," Chicago File 62-3679-1712-Pg. 5.
- T-19 - [ ]  
who did not desire his name be disclosed. He mentioned  
that the Manhattan Distributing Co., Miami, Fla., is the  
beer company involved which at that time distributed both  
Manhattan and Fox Beers in Fla. Bufile 62-81093. Report  
SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 7/13/46 "REACTIVATION OF THE  
CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago file 62-3679-328 Pg. 297. b6 b7C b7D

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- T-20 - [ ] Bufile 62-81093. Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, b7D  
Chicago, 10/23/46 entitled REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;  
MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago file 62-3679-1991-Pgs. 4 and 5.
- T-21 - [ ] Bufile 62-81093. Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, b7D  
Chicago, 8/21/46 "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE GANG;MISC.  
INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-924-Pgs. 32 and 36.
- T-22 - Report of [ ]  
[ ] Bufile 62-81093. Chicago file 62-  
3679-1075-Pg. 52. Case entitled "REACTIVATION OF THE CAPONE  
GANG;MISC. INFO;CS." Referral/Consult
- T-23 - Bufile 15-16161. Letter dated 5/9/46 from Chicago to  
Director under P and C cover in case entitled "JAMES WEINBERG  
was. et al - TFIS," Chicago 15-2413-43.
- T-24 - [ ] Detroit, Michigan. Bufile 62-81093. Report SA b6  
[ ] Detroit, 8/15/46 "REACTIVATION OF THE b7C  
CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago File 62-3679-919 Pg. 3. b7D
- T-25 - [ ] who was b6  
formerly connected with the [ ] and b7C  
[ ] Bufile b7D  
62-81093. Cincinnati letter to Chicago 9/25/46 "REACTIVATION  
OF CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago file 62-3679-1571.
- T-26 - Bufile 62-81093. Report SA ROY T. NOONAN, Miami, 11/1/46  
"REACTIVATION OF CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," CG File  
62-3679-2070.
- T-27 - General Crime Survey - Chicago Division for period 4/5/47  
to 10/15/47. Chicago File 62-3375-949 Pg. 67.
- T-28 - [ ] Subject of UFAP-Robbery case. Chicago b6  
tel to Bureau and Boston in ROBINK case, CG 87-2553-271, b7C  
2/17/50. b7D
- T-29 - [ ] who was contacted by SAs CLIFFORD E. HUHTA and b6  
[ ] 8/25/54. b7C  
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- T-30 - [ ] who was contacted by SAs CLIFFORD E. HUHTA and  
[ ] 8/25/54.
- T-31 - [ ] deceased, [ ] b7D  
[ ] Bufile 62-81093. Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago,

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CG 62-3679-924 Pg. 34.

T-32 - Report Dun and Bradstreet 7/7/45. Bufile 62-81093.  
Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago, 8/21/46 "REACTIVATION  
OF CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," CG 62-3679-924 Pg. 41.

T-33 - Files of Hill's Reports Inc., Credit Agency, Chicago,  
Ill. Bufile 62-81093. Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD,  
Chicago, 8/21/46 "REACTIVATION OF CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;  
CS," CG 62-3679-924 - Pg. 42.

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Bufile 62-81093. Report SA DELBERT L. WOOD, Chicago,  
8/21/46 "REACTIVATION OF CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS,"  
62-3679-924 Pg. 44.

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T-35 - Confidential information furnished by [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED], San Francisco, as set forth in Bufile  
62-81093. Report SA ROBERT EDWARD LANCTOT, San Francisco,  
7/15/46 "REACTIVATION OF CAPONE GANG;MISC. INFO;CS," Chicago  
62-3679-488 Pg. 17.

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REPORT  
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: FBI, Milwaukee  
Re: RALPH J. CAPONE, was  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Date: January 16, 1958  
FBI File No. 92-3001  
Lab. No. D268901 HL

Specimens received  
1/6/58

Qc1 Photocopy of renewal operator's license number 1240215  
submitted by a RALPH J. CAPPER, Box 126, Mercer, Wisconsin.

Result of examination:

It was concluded that the RALPH J. CAPPER signatures on Qc1  
were written by RALPH J. CAPONE, #FBI-145581.

Qc1 is retained.

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Boardman \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Parsons \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holloman \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICERecorded 1/7/58 ams  
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ANTI-RACKETEERINGFile # 92-3001-2  
Lab. # D268901 HLExamination requested by: <sup>FBI,</sup> SAC, Milwaukee (94-319)

Date of reference communication: let 1/4/58

Date received: 1/6/58 b6  
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Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

Ralph J. Capper sig Qc1 Ident Ralph J. Capone,  
# FB 145 581. Retain.

Specimens submitted for examination

Qc1 Photocopy of renewal operator's license number 1240215  
submitted by a Ralph J. Capper, Box 126, Mercer, Wisconsin.

cc: Mc Carthy  
Rm. 4260

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - - - -U. S. GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM *JSW* SAC, MILWAUKEE (94-319)  
SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES *JSW* CAPONE was.  
ANTI RACKETEERING

DATE: JAN 14 1958

Enclosed is the report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, Milwaukee, captioned and dated as above.

SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

ADMINISTRATIVE

For the information of all offices, Subject is being investigated under the Bureau's Top Hoodlum Program as a top hoodlum in the Milwaukee Division and in the investigation, instructions set forth in Bulet to New York 11/27/57, which all offices received, should be followed. An effort should be made through respective investigations to ascertain the complete activities, legal and illegal of Subject. The Bureau has instructed that all leads be given preferred and expeditious attention. All offices receiving this report are to submit all information on Subject as a result of their indices checks

CHICAGO:

LEADS

AT CHICAGO & CICERO, ILLINOIS:

1. Will through appropriate informants ascertain complete background on Subject including activities in legitimate and illegitimate enterprises, extent of his affiliations in any type criminal activity or crime syndicates as well as his associates in the area.
2. Will obtain background on all arrests of Subject by contacts of local authorities, state police and SO.
3. Will, through Chicago Crime Commission, obtain all background in crime commission files on Subject.
4. Will through U. S. Internal Revenue Service Racket Squad ascertain all background information available that department's files on Subject and also discreetly determine the following:

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- 2 - Bureau (Encs.-2)
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  - 2 - Detroit (Encs.-2)
  - 2 - New York (Encs.-2)
  - 2 - Salt Lake City (Encs.-2)
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whether that department has used one [redacted]

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[redacted] to surveil RALPH CAPONE from Mercer to Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

5. Will ascertain disposition of the case wherein Subject was arrested by USM, Chicago 3/19/51, USM 18597, and 1/17/52, USM 19526.

If photographs taken at the time of this arrest by USM's Office, will obtain same and forward to Milwaukee and Bureau.

6. Will, through USA's Office, Chicago, ascertain all information that [redacted] furnished that office concerning Subject and thereafter set forth appropriate lead to have [redacted] interviewed.

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DETROIT:

AT IRONWOOD, MICHIGAN:

Will, through [redacted] a very capable and experienced officer who has years of experience and background information concerning the activities in northern Wisconsin, ascertain complete background information on Subject and associates.

NEW YORK:

AT NEW YORK CITY:

Will, through appropriate Court records or Immigration and Naturalization records, verify Subject's citizenship which he claims he gained through the naturalization of his father, possibly in the area of New York, after 1906.

SALT LAKE CITY:

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA:

Will, through appropriate informants, ascertain whether Subject has any interests in that area, it being noted that one informant has advised he allegedly was trying to negotiate for the purchase of the Flamingo in that city in 1954.

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MILWAUKEE:

AT EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN:

1. Will, through State of Wisconsin income tax records, determine Subject's activities, it being noted that he also uses the name R. J. CAPPER.
2. Will ascertain whether or not [redacted] filled state income tax returns [redacted] also whether she filled returns while allegedly [redacted] between Mercer and Hurley, Wisconsin.

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AT HURLEY AND MERCER, WISCONSIN:

1. Will through appropriate informants attempt to develop more background information on Subject.
2. Will discreetly attempt to obtain photograph of Subject as well as current map of area in which Recap Lodge is located.

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN:

1. Will maintain contact with Milwaukee PD Top Special Assignment Squad for reports on Subject's activities, his associates and their backgrounds and consider the possibility of establishing a surveillance of Subject in near future to determine more information about him. b7D
2. Will ascertain at [redacted] the long distance telephone calls which emanated from Subject's residence at Mercer, Wisconsin, it being noted that the billings on telephone calls from the area come through the Wisconsin Telephone Company from Ironwood, Michigan in an effort to determine Subject's associates.
3. Will contact the Internal Revenue Racket Squad to determine if possible the extent of Subject's activities in Wisconsin.

REFERENCE

Milwaukee letter to Bureau 12/13/57 entitled "TOP HOODLUM PROGRAM - ANTI-RACKETEERING - MILWAUKEE DIVISION."

SAC, Milwaukee (94-319)

2-3-58

Director, FBI (92-3001)

RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI RACKETEERING

Re: SA Joseph S. Walker, dated 1/14/58 at Milwaukee, and Bureau letter to New York dated 1/15/58, entitled "Top Hoodlum Program - Anti Racketeering," a copy of which was furnished your office.

All offices receiving copies of this communication should conduct instant investigation, bearing in mind the delinquencies and suggestions set out in Bureau letter dated 1/15/58.

Re: has been reviewed and analyzed at the Bureau and the following suggestions and observations are being made.

Re: contains a vast amount of information regarding subject and his former associates, which information dates back to the early 1920's. However, the report contains very little information regarding subject's current activities, sources of income, business interests (legitimate and illegal), current criminal associates and whether he has any connection with any criminal syndicate.

Re: on pages 3 and 4, indicates that subject was sole owner of Waukesha Waters Inc., and Suburban Cigarette Service. You should determine if subject still owns or is affiliated with these firms and attempt to determine the amount of income received from them. It is noted that it is also alleged that subject had an interest in Beaver Lodge and the Havana Beverage Company. Investigation should be conducted to determine whether he is still affiliated with these two establishments.

On page 6, it is reported that subject, under the name of [redacted] holds the mortgage on Bonnie and Joe's and the El Capitan, [redacted] Investigation should be conducted to determine [redacted]

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Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
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Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
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Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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2 cc: New York

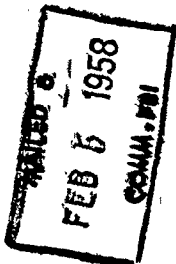
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the amount of mortgage held by subject and as to whether subject receives any income from the operations of these two establishments.

Rerep sets forth the descriptions and license numbers of various automobiles known to have been owned by subject; however, it is not clear as to which automobiles are currently in subject's possession. The description of the automobiles currently used by subject should be obtained, as well as the current license numbers.

Report reflects subject presently resides at Rensselaer Lodge, Racine, Wisconsin, with his mistress, [redacted]

**Background**  
Information should be conducted in regard to subject's mistress. It is also noted that subject is alleged to be divorced from his wife, [redacted] and she is believed to be residing in New York City. Verification of the divorce should be obtained and New York should attempt to verify whether subject's wife is residing in New York City.

Further investigation regarding subject's travels should be ascertained. In this regard it is noted that subject occasionally travels to Chicago and Cicero, Illinois, as well as Florida. It is also noted that subject is reported to go to Milwaukee on one or two occasions each month and that generally around the first of the month he meets a man by the name of [redacted] who generally gives subject money in the amounts of \$1,000 and up. Investigation should be conducted to identify this individual, as well as determining the reason that Morrison is making payments to subject.

Investigation should be conducted to determine if subject has any political or police connections. In this regard it is noted that on page 7 of rerep you state that subject, in 1952 is alleged to have given an election party for [redacted] On page 23 it is alleged that Capone had connections in the Chicago Police Department.

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On pages 22 and 23 there appears information that prior to any gang or political killing in Chicago, Illinois, Capone always appears in Mercer, Wisconsin, about a day prior to the actual killing and generally makes his presence known. Investigation should be conducted to determine if subject is in any way connected with any of the political or gang killings which take place in Chicago or surrounding cities. Milwaukee and Chicago should also attempt to determine if subject is in any way connected with any syndicate or nationwide organization.

On pages 14 and 15 there is set forth a list of individuals who are alleged to be former associates of subject. It is noted that this list is comprised of former members of the Capone Gang and that this information was obtained in 1946. Investigation should be conducted to determine subject's current associates and especially those who may be affiliated or associated with any criminal activities.

Attempts should be made to determine if subject has any bank accounts and if located, they should be reviewed to determine the sources of income of subject, as well as cash disbursed from these accounts. An up-to-date photograph of subject should be obtained, as well as a photograph of subject's residence.

It is again emphasized that this program must be afforded aggressive attention in order to assure that real efforts are being expended to obtain and develop the information desired in this program.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	DATE <b>FEB 6 1958</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>12/5,57: 1/14,29; 2/4/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>JOSEPH S. WALKER</b>	TYPED BY <b>aj</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

## SYNOPSIS:

Efforts to verify subject's birthdate, place of birth and naturalization, negative to date. Subject claims residence as Chicago, Ill. Photo copy of renewal Wisconsin operator's license, number 1240215, signed by RALPH J. CAPPER, Box 126, Mercer, Wis., identified as identical to signature written by RALPH J. CAPONE, FBI number 145 581. Informant advises that RALPH CAPONE, during 1949, [redacted]

[redacted] Description of subject's home obtained and set forth in report. Subject has no telephonic communication at Recap Lodge, Mercer, Wis. Subject was visited over the holidays by his brother "MIMI," JOHN CAPONE, and wife from Miami, Fla. "MIMI" CAPONE allegedly recently sold an exclusive night club or supper club which he, "MIMI" owned in the area of Miami, Fla. Informant also advised that MATT CAPONE, another brother of RALPH CAPONE, is allegedly residing at Miami, Fla. Informant advised no information that Mafia has ever tried to gain control in northern area of Wis. T-3 advises he believes Chicago syndicate in late 1930's tried to control gambling in northern Wis. but was unsuccessful. CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF DANGEROUS

APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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DETAILS:

Personal History and Background.

On January 2, 1958, [redacted] Records Unit, Immigration and Naturalization Service, New York, advised SA WILLIAM D. MEEHAN that he could locate no record of subject's naturalization in New York. [redacted] advised that in order to check a derivative citizenship, it would be necessary to have the name of subject's father, and background information regarding subject's father would also be helpful in locating the file..

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[redacted] Immigration and Naturalization Service, Federal Building, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on February 4, 1958, informed SA JOSEPH S. WALKER that the files in that office contained no background information on anyone by the name of CAPONE.

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By communication dated January 4, 1958, the Milwaukee Office submitted a photo copy of a renewal operator's license, number 1240215, which was submitted to the Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Department by RALPH J. CAPPER, Box 126, Mercer, Wisconsin. The Laboratory, by communication dated January 16, 1958, advised that it was concluded that the RALPH J. CAPPER signatures on the renewal operator's license were written by RALPH J. CAPONE, FBI number 145 581.

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on January 14, 1958, informed that he has known RALPH JAMES CAPONE for many years and that the first time RALPH CAPONE arrived in the area he was traveling with a wealthy individual from Chicago, Illinois by the name of [redacted] (phonetic), who was interested in selling some property in the area of Mercer, Wisconsin to CAPONE. Informant said that this was in the late 1930's as he recalled. T-3 advised some of the first persons to become acquainted with RALPH CAPONE was one [redacted]

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[redacted] Informant said he has been in personal contact since approximately 1940 with a person who has been [redacted] RALPH CAPONE and that through this individual he has ascertained that [redacted]

He said the area in which Recap Lodge is located is isolated, that there are no other cottages or lodges in the immediate area,

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that the site is reached from the county highway by a one-lane private road which is approximately one-half to one mile long. Informant said that his contact with the person who is acquainted with RALPH CAPONE [REDACTED]

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T-3 further informed that his source of information advised him that [REDACTED]

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T-3 said that as far as the Mafia is concerned, they have never attempted to gain control in the northern area of Wisconsin; however, he believes the Chicago syndicate, in the late 1930's or mid-1940's, tried to take over control of the gambling and slot machine business in northern Wisconsin but were unsuccessful. He stated as he recalled, this group of unknown Chicago individuals were possibly responsible for a killing at the Plantation Club, a known place of gambling near Minocqua, Wisconsin in the late 1930's or early 1940's, when they tried to place slot machines at this fashionable gambling establishment.

T-3 also advised he heard [REDACTED] RALPH CAPONE that [REDACTED]

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In regard to [redacted] informant [redacted] heard that RALPH CAPONE was instrumental in helping [redacted] get started into business several years ago at the Prow (phonetic) Tavern in Chicago, Illinois.

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Associates

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, informed that RALPH CAPONE has very few close associates in northern Wisconsin. that he is friendly with one [redacted] and he appears friendly with [redacted]

Informant stated that [redacted]  
[redacted]

T-3 further advised that [redacted]  
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Criminal Activities

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on December 5, 1957, advised SA RICHARD C. THOMPSON that [redacted] person who worked for RALPH CAPONE at Billy's Bar at the Rex Hotel in Mercer, Wisconsin during 1949. He said that the gambling at Billy's Bar at the time was operated by RALPH CAPONE. He further informed that [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted]

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T-3 advised that he does not believe that RALPH CAPONE controls any syndicate in the Chicago-Cicero, Illinois area at the present time and from what he can determine, a younger element has taken over control of racketeering in the area and that by mutual agreement between the younger element and the older element, the area is zoned and payoffs are made accordingly.

T-3 said that as far as the Mafia is concerned, they have never attempted to gain control in the northern area of Wisconsin; however, he believes the Chicago syndicate, in the late 1930's or mid-1940's, tried to take over control of the gambling and slot machine business in northern Wisconsin, but was unsuccessful. He stated as he recalled, this group of unknown Chicago individuals were possibly responsible for a killing at the Plantation Club, a known place of gambling near Minocqua, Wisconsin in the late 1930's or early 1940's, when they tried to place slot machines in this fashionable gambling establishment.

#### Legitimate Enterprises

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on January 29, 1958, advised SA THOMAS J. GRAHAM that according to the files in the Wisconsin Department of Taxation Office at Eau Claire, Wisconsin, in December of 1956, a letter was received from RALPH CAPONE of Mercer, Wisconsin, in which CAPONE stated that he is not a resident of Wisconsin, and that he, CAPONE, maintained his residence in Chicago, Illinois. Informant said that CAPONE pointed out further that he spent a considerable amount of his time at the family residence in Mercer, Wisconsin, but he was definitely a resident of Chicago, Illinois. Informant stated that CAPONE had filed income tax returns in the State of Wisconsin for the years of 1948, 1949, 1950 and 1951. He said that at this time CAPONE listed his occupation as hotel manager of Billy's Inn at Mercer, Wisconsin. Informant further stated that according to information in the Wisconsin Department of Taxation file, information was received from the Wisconsin Conservation Department that RALPH CAPONE has purchased nonresident hunting licenses in the State of

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Wisconsin. Informant further informed that the Wisconsin Department of Taxation has no further information indicating that RALPH CAPONE is a resident of the State of Wisconsin and that the Wisconsin Department of Taxation has been unable to find any property within the State of Wisconsin owned by RALPH CAPONE which could be taxed as income. Informant said there was no information in the files for any returns which might have been filed by R. J. CAPPER or RALPH J. CAPPER or any of the other aliases known for RALPH CAPONE.

T-3 advised that RALPH CAPONE [REDACTED]

T-3 advised that [REDACTED]

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#### Personal Habits and Peculiarities

T-2 advised that the Wisconsin State Department of Taxation did have income tax returns filed from 1954-1956 for a [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Informant said that this individual listed her occupation as operator of the Homestead Tavern in Vilas County, Wisconsin.

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Informant stated the only income she listed as from the Homestead Tavern, and there was no indication in any of the returns of any connection with RALPH CAPONE. Informant said that in [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] return for 1954, she indicated that [REDACTED]

DANIEL P. ANGELO, was deceased, but there was no indication of when ANGELO died or where he was living at the time of death.

Referral/Consult

Informant further advised that the Wisconsin Department of Taxation has attempted to obtain information on RALPH CAPONE's activities, with negative results. Informant further informed that he did know that [REDACTED]

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Referral/Consult

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Places of Amusement or  
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T-3 informed that [Redacted]

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- T-1 - [redacted] b6  
[redacted] RALPH J. CAPONE during 1949 at [redacted] b7C  
[redacted] by CAPONE at Mercer, Wisconsin. Information b7D  
furnished to SA RICHARD C. THOMPSON on December 5, 1957.
- T-2 - [redacted] Wisconsin Depart- b6  
ment of Taxation, who furnished information to SA THOMAS b7C  
J. GRAHAM on January 29, 1958. b7D
- T-3 - [redacted] who was contacted by SAs JOSEPH S. WALKER and  
CLIFFORD E. HUHTA on January 14, 1958. b7D

Investigation reflects the correct spelling of the name of  
subject's mistress to be [redacted] rather than [redacted] as  
previously reported.

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (92-3001)  
FROM : SAC, Milwaukee (94-319)  
SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING.

DATE:

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Enclosed are two copies of report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, dated and captioned as above at Milwaukee.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

For the information of the Bureau, it is to be noted that the work period of December 5, 1957, is because of an informant contact made prior to the last report, which information was not reported in the last report.

For the information of the Miami Office, a copy of the report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER dated January 14, 1958, entitled "RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was. - ANTI-RACKETEERING," is being submitted as an enclosure with this letter to Miami for information purposes for handling of future leads in that area.

All offices conducting investigation on leads set forth should be very careful that the identity of [REDACTED] is not disclosed. b7D

LEADS

CHICAGO:

At Chicago, Illinois

1. Will determine through records in the Chicago Office the name of subject's father and thereafter attempt to ascertain through INS the subject's date and place of birth and place of naturalization.
2. Will, through appropriate informants, ascertain RALPH CAPONE's residential address in Chicago, Illinois, it being noted that he claims residence with Wisconsin tax authorities as Chicago, Illinois.

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3. Will determine whether subject still owns the Suburban Cigarette Sales Company operating in Chicago or Cicero, Illinois, and the address of such a company.

4. In previous report it is to be noted that [redacted] believed to be a PCI of the Chicago Office, [redacted] now residing [redacted] made a comment to Bureau Agents in 1956 that [redacted]

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5. Will attempt to ascertain the identity of a person by the name of [redacted] who allegedly meets RALPH CAPONE in Milwaukee, Wisconsin once a month.

DETROIT:

At Ironwood, Michigan

Will establish liaison with North Central Airlines so information will be immediately come to the attention of the Bureau concerning RALPH CAPONE's flight itinerary from the Ironwood, Michigan area. Upon learning the flight itinerary of RALPH CAPONE, will immediately advise the Milwaukee Office so that fisur can be established in Milwaukee.

MIAMI:

At Miami, Florida

1. Will through informants determine whether RALPH CAPONE is connected with any criminal activities in that area.
2. Will determine through appropriate sources whether RALPH CAPONE has legitimate business interests in that area.

MILWAUKEE:

At Mercer, Wisconsin

Will recontact [redacted] and ascertain, if possible, the present method being used in the Chicago area concerning "payoffs" which this informant has previously alleged takes place under a plan set up by a younger element in the Chicago area.

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At Eau Claire, Wisconsin

Will recontact Wisconsin Department of Taxation official and obtain

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a photo copy of all specimens of subject's handwriting contained in the Tax Department files.

2. Will contact the U. S. Internal Revenue to determine whether RALPH/CAPONE files a return in that office. If file available on CAPONE, will obtain photo copy of all specimens of handwriting. Will also ascertain through that file legitimate activities, if available.

At Madison, Wisconsin

Will recheck to determine whether RALPH CAPONE has been issued the same auto license numbers, A39-497 and A39-083, under the name R. J. CAPPER, which were issued to him during 1957, for an automobile.

REFERENCES

Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, 1/14/58, Milwaukee.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Rosen

DATE: 2-3-58

FROM : Mr. Price

SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI RACKETEERING

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Ralph James Capone, FBI Number 145581, allegedly born in Naples, Italy, 1/12/94 (not verified), claims naturalization through father, who was naturalized in 1906 (not verified). Subject is brother of Al Capone, former notorious gangster, who is now deceased.

Subject presently resides at Recap Lodge, two and one-half miles east of Mercer, Wisconsin, with his mistress, [REDACTED]

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Subject attended a public school in Brooklyn, New York and lived in that city until he was approximately 27 years of age, at which time he went to Chicago, Illinois, in 1922, following his brother, Al Capone. He was affiliated with the Capone Gang and during prohibition sold beer. In 1931 he was convicted of income tax evasion and served 27 months in prison. In 1934 he returned to Chicago, Illinois, and was engaged in the operation of the Waukesha Water, Inc., and also the Suburban Cigarette Service, which is a cigarette vending machine business. In 1945 he was reported to own the Rex Hotel and Billy's Bar in Mercer, Wisconsin, which he purchased for \$65,000 and has subsequently sold.

Subject presently is alleged to hold mortgages on Bonnie and Joe's and the El Capitan in Mercer, Wisconsin, [REDACTED]

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Subject is reported to spend most of his time at Recap Lodge and is considered in the community to be a retired business man. He is generally known in Mercer, Wisconsin, as Ralph Capper. He occasionally makes trips to Cicero and Chicago, Illinois, and sometimes to Florida. There is no indication that subject is engaged in any criminal activities at present; however, it is alleged that generally whenever there is a gang or political killing in Chicago, Illinois, subject always makes known his presence in Mercer, Wisconsin, prior to such killing. It is also alleged that subject has police connections in Chicago, Illinois.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM \* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (92-3001)  
FROM : SAC, Milwaukee (94-319)  
SUBJECT: *D.W.F. W* RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

DATE: FEB 20 1958

Rebulet to Milwaukee 2/3/58, ccs Chicago and New York,  
and report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, 1/14/58, Milwaukee.

The following additional leads are being set out in  
captioned case in accordance with suggestions furnished  
the Milwaukee Office by rebulet.

LEADS

CHICAGO

At Chicago and Cicero, Ill.

(1) Will ascertain Subject's current  
activities, sources of income, business interests  
(legitimate and illegitimate) and his current criminal  
associates, and whether the Subject has any connection  
with a crime syndicate in Chicago.

For the information of the Chicago Division,  
it is to be noted that past reports from that office  
have indicated that it was reported that in 1946 the  
following individuals were associates of RALPH CAPONE:

*Ill.* { JACK GUZIK, alias "Greasy Thumb"  
HYMIE ~~EVIN~~, alias "Loud Mouth"  
JOE FUSCO  
MIKE POTSON  
MURRAY HUMPHREYS, alias "The Camel"  
TONY ACCARDO, alias Joe Batters  
FRANK MARITOTE, alias Frank Diamond  
LOUIS CAMPAGNA

{ JOE CORNGOLD  
CLAUDE MADDOX, alias Johnny Moore  
TERRY DRUGGAN

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(2) Will ascertain the present whereabouts of RALPH CAPONE'S wife, [redacted] Will check appropriate divorce records, Chicago, Ill., and Cook County and adjacent counties to determine whether CAPONE is divorced from [redacted]

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(3) Will ascertain the identity of a man by the name of [redacted] who allegedly meets RALPH CAPONE at the Mitchell Field Airport, Milwaukee, Wis., once a month and generally gives Subject money in the amount of \$1,000 and up. Will also determine the reason that he is allegedly making payments to the Subject.

(4) Will determine RALPH CAPONE'S present political or police connections in the Chicago-Cicero, Ill. areas.

(5) Will conduct further investigation to determine whether RALPH CAPONE is in any way connected with any of the political or gang killings, which have taken place in the Chicago-Cicero, Ill. area and surrounding cities. Will determine if the Subject is in any way connected with any syndicate or nation-wide crime organization.

(6) Chicago is again requested, as previously requested in rerep, to obtain most recent photograph of RALPH CAPONE through the US Marshal's Office, Chicago, it being noted that RALPH CAPONE was arrested by that department in 1951 and 1952. If available, will expedite this lead so that photograph may be used by the Milwaukee Office for fisur.

(7) Will determine Subject's current associates in Chicago, especially those who may be affiliated or associated with criminal activities.

(8) Will attempt to determine if Subject has any bank accounts and if located they should be reviewed to determine the sources of income of the Subject, as well as cash disbursements of these accounts. (It is to be noted that an article appeared 2/13/58 in the Milwaukee Journal reflecting that a check for \$446 recently "squared" RALPH CAPONE with the Government for his income taxes from 1922 through 1925 and that the check was presented to [redacted] AUSA, Chicago, by CAPONE'S lawyer, [redacted])

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(9) Through the US Internal Revenue records, will attempt to ascertain CAPONE'S illegal and legal interests in the Cicero-Chicago area. Will obtain RALPH CAPONE'S handwriting specimens from available files in that office and forward to FBI Laboratory.

(10) Will determine whether Subject has any interest as yet in the Havannah Beverage Company of the Chicago area.

NEW YORK

At NYC and Brooklyn, NY

(1) Will ascertain background information on RALPH CAPONE through the NY schools, in an effort to ascertain his correct birthdate, and, thereafter, verify his US citizenship, which he claims he acquired through naturalization of his father in New York in 1906. In this regard, it is to be noted that the Milwaukee Office does not have the name of RALPH CAPONE'S father; however, RALPH CAPONE'S mother's name was THERESA CAPONE.

(2) Will attempt to ascertain the present whereabouts of [redacted] believed divorced from RALPH CAPONE, present whereabouts unknown, but believed to be residing NYC. Will also attempt to verify whether Subject's wife was divorced from the Subject in that area.

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MILWAUKEE

At Madison, Wis.

Through the Secretary of State's Office, the Corporation Division, will ascertain whether RALPH CAPONE is affiliated with any Wisconsin corporations.

At Mellen, Wis.

Will obtain background information on [redacted]  
[redacted] who allegedly is from the area of [redacted]

At Waukesha, Wis.

Will ascertain whether RALPH CAPONE has any current interest in the Waukesha Waters.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Reporting Office <b>DETROIT</b>	Office of Origin <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Date <b>2/26/58</b>	Investigative Period <b>2/10,14,15/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.</b>		Report made by <b>SA(A)</b> [redacted]	Typed By <b>jmr</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

**Synopsis:**

[redacted] Ironwood, Mich., states to his knowledge RALPH JAMES CAPONE has engaged in no illegal activity in Mich. Further, that RALPH CAPONE's brother, MATT CAPONE, not believed by him to have ever been "trigger man" for CAPONE mob. [redacted] LOUIS CAMPAGNA alias "New York Louie" CAMPAGNA, deceased, considered reputable citizen of Ironwood and believed by [redacted] to be engaged in no illegal activity. RALPH CAPONE's brother, RICHARD HART, former Town Marshal of Homer, Nebraska, now deceased. RICHARD HART's [redacted] RALPH CAPONE, employed Ironwood and resides Mercer, Wisc. Arrangements made with North Central Airlines, Ironwood, to notify FBI in event RALPH CAPONE makes reservations on that airline out of Ironwood, Mich. CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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At Ironwood, Michigan:

On February 10, 1958, [ ] stated that to his knowledge RALPH JAMES CAPONE has never engaged in any illegal activity in Ironwood or elsewhere in Michigan. [ ] stated that he is not acquainted with RALPH CAPONE except through CAPONE's reputation, and that he knows nothing of CAPONE's activities except that CAPONE has, for the past several years, been residing on Martha Lake near Mercer, Wisconsin, Mercer being located about 32 miles from Ironwood, Michigan.

[ ] stated that about four years ago MATT CAPONE, brother of RALPH, started to hang around some of the bars in Ironwood and he, [ ] contacted MATT CAPONE and told him that he was not wanted in Ironwood and to "clear out". MATT CAPONE immediately left Ironwood and to [ ] knowledge, has not returned. [ ] stated that he understands that the adjacent Hurley, Wisconsin, Police Department told MATT CAPONE, at about the same time, to leave Hurley and that MATT did so.

[ ] stated that he would describe MATT CAPONE as a weakling and a "drunken bum" and that in his opinion MATT could never have been a "trigger man" for the CAPONE mob.

[ ] stated that [ ] of LOUIS CAMPAGNA, with aliases "New York Louie" CAMPAGNA, "Little New York" CAMPAGNA, has resided in Ironwood for a number of years and is considered a reputable citizen of the city. [ ] occupation is that of a [ ] and he [ ] stated that "New York Louie" CAMPAGNA (now deceased), who had the reputation of being an associate of RALPH CAPONE, to his knowledge never visited Ironwood. He stated that [ ] is not believed to have ever engaged in any illegal activity in Ironwood. Further, he is believed to have used the surname [ ] in order to conceal the fact that [ ] "New York Louie" CAMPAGNA.



[redacted] stated that RALPH CAPONE's brother, who used the name RICHARD HART (now deceased), was for several years prior to his death, the Town Marshal of Homer, Nebraska. Further, that RICHARD HART's [redacted] who would be

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[redacted] RALPH CAPONE, now resides in [redacted] and is employed in Ironwood as a [redacted]

[redacted] stated that to his knowledge [redacted] widow is not living nor employed in Ironwood and he has no information regarding her whereabouts, or her identity.

[redacted] stated he could furnish no additional information regarding RALPH CAPONE, his associates or activities, other than information which he cannot now specifically recall which has appeared in the newspapers over the years.

On February 15, 1958, [redacted] North Central Airlines, Ironwood, stated that he cannot recall having had RALPH CAPONE leave or arrive in Ironwood via that airline for the past year or more. [redacted] stated that the Ironwood Airport has only one runway and that because of this, the air service in and out of Ironwood is quite undependable due to occasional high winds. He stated that he believed that if CAPONE is riding on that airline, CAPONE may be boarding their planes at the Rhinelander, Wisconsin, Airport, which although about 60 miles from Mercer, compared to Ironwood's approximately 30, has much more dependable service.

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[redacted] stated that in the event CAPONE makes a reservation on that airline at the Ironwood terminal, he will immediately advise the FBI, Detroit, of all pertinent facts.

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[redacted] stated that he would advise all North Central Airlines ticket personnel at Ironwood to be on the alert for any reservations or travel inquiries made by CAPONE, either under his true name or known aliases.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3001)

DATE: February 26, 1958

FROM : SAC, DETROIT (92-288)

SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERINGb6  
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Re report of SA(A) [redacted] Detroit, dated February 26, 1958, which is enclosed.

REFERENCES

Milwaukee letter to Director dated January 14, 1958.

Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, Milwaukee, January 14, 1958.

Milwaukee letter to Director dated February 6, 1958.

Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, Milwaukee, February 6, 1958.

Review of Detroit Indices reflects no additional information concerning Subject's activities or connections in this area.

LEADS

## MILWAUKEE

At Rhinelander, Wisconsin:

1. Will establish liaison with North Central Airlines Office so information will immediately come to the attention of the Milwaukee Office concerning any airline reservation RALPH CAPONE may make out of the Rhinelander Airport.

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2. Will, upon receipt of information that CAPONE is leaving Rhinelander for Milwaukee or Chicago, Illinois, immediately arrange fisur on CAPONE when he arrives in either of those two cities.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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Date: 3/3/58

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3001)  
 FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-442)  
 SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, Was.  
 ANTI-RACKETEERING

Re MI report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER dated  
 1/14/58 at MI.

The MI Office telephonically advised the CG  
 Office on 3/1/58 that CAPONE was under surveillance by  
 Agents of the MI Office and was enroute to the CG area. b6  
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SAs AUGUST C. KEMPF and [redacted]  
 observed CAPONE driving a white over blue 1955 Buick  
 bearing 1958 Wisconsin license A69973 at the junction  
 of U.S. highways 45 and 12 at 12:14 p.m., 3/1/58. CAPONE  
 proceeded directly to Rosie's Restaurant, 3921 South  
 Harlem, Berwyn, Ill., and at 1:22 p.m. parked his car  
 and entered the restaurant.

At 1:44 p.m. CAPONE left Rosie's Restaurant  
 and proceeded to a parking lot in a forest preserve  
 near Maple and 41st Streets, Lyons, Ill., arriving  
 there at 1:50 p.m. At 2:02 p.m. CAPONE was contacted  
 by a white male driving a 1957 black Oldsmobile 98  
 hardtop, bearing 1958 Illinois license 2509130. At 2:10  
 p.m. SAs [redacted] and WILLIAM F. ROEMER  
 joined the surveillance. b6  
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CAPONE left the parking lot at 3:28 p.m.  
 preceded by the aforementioned Oldsmobile. CAPONE  
 proceeded to Halacka Shell Service Station, 3401 Harlem  
 Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois. CAPONE then proceeded to the  
 Harlem station of the Burlington Railroad where at 3:49 p.m.  
 he met [redacted] subsequently identified as [redacted] b6  
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Approved: RDO  
 Special Agent in Charge

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FBI

Date:

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[redacted] who arrived on a  
Burlington commuter train from CG.

CAPONE and [redacted] then proceeded to the vicinity of 26th and Des Plaines Streets, North Riverside, Ill., where they circled the same block three times and then proceeded back to Harlem Ave. where they parked at the Escape, Harlem Ave. at 29th St., Berwyn, Ill., at 4:15 p.m. CAPONE and [redacted] were subsequently observed at the bar of the Escape and then in the dining room.

At 5:33 p.m. CAPONE and [redacted] left the Escape and proceeded to the parking lot of Mangum's Chateau, 7850 Ogden Ave., Lyons, Ill., where they made a U-turn in the parking lot and then proceeded to the Burlington Railroad Station, Riverside, Ill.

[redacted] boarded a Burlington suburban train proceeding toward CG at 5:58 p.m. CAPONE proceeded to U.S. highway 42A and headed north towards MI. The surveillance of CAPONE was dropped at 6:55 p.m. and the MI Office telephonically notified that CAPONE was proceeding toward MI.

[redacted] arrived at the Union Station, CG, at 6:21 p.m. and at 6:46 p.m. asked for change for a \$100 bill at a ticket window in the Union Station. [redacted] ticket agent, gave [redacted] change for a \$100 bill bearing serial number G05183424A, series 1950A.

At 6:55 p.m. [redacted] boarded a CG transit authority bus and subsequently entered her residence at 20 East Delaware, CG, Ill.

CG continuing investigation to identify owner of 1957 Oldsmobile bearing 1958 license 2509130 and determine relationship with CAPONE as well as attempting to determine relationship of [redacted] with CAPONE.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Sent \_\_\_\_\_ M Per \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

SAC, Milwaukee (94-319)

3-14-58

Director, FBI (92-3001)

**RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING**

Rerep of SA Joseph S. Walker dated 2-26-58  
at Milwaukee.

Rerep has been reviewed at Bureau and it is noted that there is no lead set out to determine whether subject maintains a bank account in Mercer, Wisconsin. Every effort should be made to locate a bank account and if located, it should be reviewed in an attempt to determine subject's source of income and his disbursements from the account.

Chicago, when conducting investigation regarding subject, should also attempt to locate any bank accounts which subject maintains in Chicago, Illinois, or vicinity. Apparently subject has a source of income which is unknown to the Bureau, inasmuch as he recently completed payment of his income taxes by submitting a check for \$446 to the U. S. Attorney in Chicago, Illinois.

Every effort should be made to determine subject's connections with any legitimate business or illegal operation.

It is noted in rerep that it is alleged that subject, in the past, had invested a considerable amount of money in the Homestead Tavern, located on Highway 70, Mercer, Wisconsin, and that he was backing his mistress, [redacted] in this venture. It is reported that at the present time there appears to be negotiation between [redacted] and the former owner of the Homestead Tavern and it is believed that [redacted] may soon again be operating the Homestead Tavern. During your investigation you should attempt to determine if subject has any kind of an interest in the operation of the Homestead Tavern.

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It is again brought to your attention that this investigation must be afforded aggressive attention in order to be certain that real efforts are being expended to obtain and develop the information desired by the Bureau under this program.

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The Attorney General

April 3, 1958

Director, FBI

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RALPH JAMES CAPONE,  
INCOME TAX MATTERS

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I thought you would like to know that as a direct result of investigative activity on the part of the FBI, we were able to inform the Chicago District of the Internal Revenue Service of the whereabouts of Ralph "Bettles" Capone which enabled that agency to serve him with a subpoena. This individual is the brother of deceased gangster Al "Scarface" Capone. Ralph Capone had been sought since 1952 by the Internal Revenue Service for the serving of this summons.

Our location of Capone gave cooperative assistance to the Office of the United States Attorney at Chicago, which has been attempting to collect taxes from Capone in the amount of approximately \$240,000.

We located Capone through a criminal informant of our Milwaukee Office who advised that Capone was in that city and might be going to Chicago to make some contacts. Our Milwaukee Office, in cooperation with our Chicago Office, determined Capone's route of travel. After he arrived in Chicago and made a contact, we advised the Chicago District of the Internal Revenue Service of his whereabouts. The service of the summons resulted.

It has been learned that the service of this summons on Capone has resulted in considerable front-page publicity in Chicago, and United States Attorney Tieken has informed our Chicago Office of his personal delight with the assistance we gave in this matter. Mr. Tieken stated that the Internal Revenue Service had been checking on Capone for the last six years and had been covering various points in an effort to serve Capone but without success.

- 1 - Mr. Lawrence E. Walsh  
Deputy Attorney General  
1 - Assistant Attorney General  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Boardman

DATE: April 3, 1958

FROM : A. Rosen *AR*SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, with aliases;  
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With reference to the Director's inquiry as to how we happened to be conducting a surveillance in this matter, the following is submitted:

ASAC  Milwaukee, states that the information in this matter was developed as a result of their Top Hoodlum coverage. An informant of the Milwaukee Office indicated that Ralph "Bottles" Capone might be going to Chicago to make some contacts, and the Milwaukee Office was able, through its informant coverage and through loose surveillance and spot surveillances, to determine that yesterday Capone started out in the direction of Chicago. Milwaukee advised Chicago of the trip which Capone was making, and Chicago was told by the Milwaukee Office that they should let Capone make at least one contact in Chicago before the information was disclosed to the Internal Revenue Service.

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Milwaukee was in radio contact with Chicago and did set the matter up so that Chicago would know of Capone's route and travel. The information was turned over to Chicago, and Chicago picked up the surveillance and after Capone made one contact in the afternoon in a wooded area he was served with a summons.

In order to determine the reaction in Chicago, I talked with SAC Auerbach. He advised me that he had received a call last evening and also a number of calls this morning from U. S. Attorney Ticken, also the principal Assistant U. S. Attorney and the Assistant U. S. Attorney handling the Capone case. Auerbach states they were all delighted with the assistance we gave; that Ticken wanted to know whether he could call the Director or whether he should write a letter. He said that in the last six years the Internal Revenue Service has been checking on Capone; they have been covering bars, taverns, and various other points but with no success.

Chicago stated that there has been considerable front-page publicity concerning this matter, and in order that we may have the benefit of the details of this publicity I asked Auerbach to immediately give us a rundown on this; in addition,

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to explain the manner in which the information was handled in Chicago by the Chicago Office.

Auerbach stated that in one of the newspaper items it was indicated that two small cars, one driven by Special Agents of the FBI and the other by Agents of Internal Revenue, served the summons on Capone; that this was entirely different from such situations that had happened in the past where persons with machine guns swooped down, etc. I told Auerbach that he should immediately submit a detailed explanation as to why the Agents were near enough to the Internal Revenue representatives to be associated with this publicity. Auerbach is getting a detailed wire in to the Bureau concerning this matter immediately. Auerbach states that the newspaper reaction is excellent; that it is obvious from reading the articles that the FBI has accomplished what the Internal Revenue had been unable to do for six years.

A memorandum is being prepared to the Attorney General advising him of the assistance which we gave the U. S. Attorney's office in connection with this matter as a matter of cooperation.

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Memo to AG,  
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Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
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Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Trotter	✓
Mr. Clayton	✓
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Miss Gandy	✓

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, CHICAGO

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ASST. U. S. ATTORNEY, CHICAGO

RALPH JAMES CAPONE, WAS., ANTI RACKETEERING. AUSA, CG,

ADVISED MARCH FIVE, LAST THERE IS A SUMMONS AND CIVIL ACTION  
OUTSTANDING FOR SUBJECT WHICH REQUIRES HIS APPEARANCE WITHIN  
TWENTY DAYS AFTER SERVICE BEFORE USA, <sup>U.S. ATTORNEY</sup> NOD THIS SUMMONS  
WAS ORIGINALLY FILED DEC. THIRTY, NINETEEN FIFTY TWO,

CAN ONLY BE SERVED IN ILL. AND HAD NOT BEEN SERVED TO DATE

INASMUCH AS SUBJECT RESIDES IN WISCONSIN. AUSA ADVISED THIS  
ACTION IS TO COLLECT TAXES FROM SUBJECT FOR TEN YEARS NINETEEN  
TWENTY SIX THROUGH NINETEEN TWENTY EIGHT IN THE AMOUNT OF  
EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTEEN DOLLARS AND THIRTY  
FIVE CENTS, PLUS SIX PER CENT INTEREST. AUSA, CG, ADVISED

THE AMOUNT INVOLVED WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED  
SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS. MILWAUKEE AGENTS SURVEILLED SUBJECT

TO ILLINOIS TODAY WHERE HE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY SURVEILLED BY  
CG AGENTS. SA [REDACTED] INTELLIGENCE DIVISION, INTERNAL

CORR LINE 4 WORD 7 SHLD READ NOD

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REVENUE SERVICE, CG, WAS CONTACTED AND ARRANGEMENTS WERE  
MADE WHEREBY HE WAS ABLE TO SERVE THE ABOVE SUMMONS ON  
SUBJECT THIS DATE. MILWAUKEE, OO, ADVISED.

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**Ralph Capone  
Served With  
Tax Summons**

A summons was served Wednesday on Ralph J. (Bottles) Capone, 64, notifying him of a civil suit for back income taxes and interest totaling \$120,000.

The brother of the late gang lord, Al Capone, had only last Feb. 21 paid, with a \$446.31 check, the last installment on an earlier liability of \$23,555 on 1922 to 1925 taxes.

The suit, said Donald S. Lowitz, an assistant U.S. attorney, is for 1926 to 1928 taxes. Capone, who now operates a hotel and tavern near Mercer, Wis., served a three-year term in the 1930s for income tax evasion. Federal agents found Capone on Harlem Av., near a forest preserve, Lowitz said.

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# CAPONE DRIVES INTO AMBUSH

Instead of Gang Guns  
He Gets a Summons

BY STEPHEN TOOLEY

In gangland fashion, two small sedans swooped down yesterday on a northbound blue Cadillac in Harlem at Touhy avenues. Instead of machine guns barking, however, a piece of paper was shoved into the hand of the hoodlum who drove the Cadillac.



He is Ralph J. (Bottles) Capone, 60, Mercer, Wis., proprietor of a saloon, and brother of the late Al Capone.

The two sedans were driven by special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the department of internal revenue.

## Six Year Search Ends

Thus ended a six year search for Capone in which the government had been seeking to serve him with a summons in a civil suit to recover \$87,217.35 in unpaid income taxes for 1926 thru 1928, grown now to a fantastic \$200,000 by the addition of penalties and 6 per cent interest.

How the government knew Capone was going to drive home by that route at that time remains a secret of the agents.

## 9 Summonses Worn Out

The civil suit in which Capone is now a defendant was filed Dec. 30, 1952, a day before the statute of limitations expired.

During the six years they had been waiting to find him within the northern Illinois jurisdiction to serve him with the summons, nine summonses had been worn out in the pockets of agents carrying them.

Each time, the government had to go to court to get a new summons. About 25 persons have been working on the service for the six years. On last Feb. 12, Capone paid

\$446.31, the final installment on his \$23,535 debt for unpaid income taxes for 1922 thru 1925.

All of the government's claims are based on Capone's conviction, June 16, 1930, for income tax evasion from 1922 thru 1923, for which he served three years in prison and paid a \$10,000 fine.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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## Synopsis:

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AND HANDLED SEPARATELY

On 3/1/58, CAPONE traveled to the Chicago area where he was observed meeting an unidentified individual in a forest preserve parking lot, Lyons, Illinois. This individual was driving a 1957 Oldsmobile bearing 1958 Illinois license No. 2509 130 which is registered to LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ, 40 East Avenue, Riverside, Illinois. On 3/1/58, CAPONE also met [redacted] at a train station Berwyn, Illinois, and subsequently left [redacted] at a train station Riverside, Illinois. After arrival at Union Station, Chicago, [redacted] requested change for a \$100 bill. T-2 advised CAPONE was seen with [redacted] in the Scotch Mist Night Club, Chicago, LL on the night of 3/22/58. AUSA [redacted] advised there is a summons in a civil action outstanding for RALPH CAPONE. This summons can only be served on CAPONE in the Northern District of Illinois. This summons involves civil action by the U. S. Government to collect taxes from CAPONE for years, 1926, 1927, and 1928, in the amount of \$87,217.35, plus six per cent interest from date due. Amount involved approximately \$240,000. Background information on CAPONE obtained from file of the Chicago Crime Commission set forth. No record located PL

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to indicate Havana Beverage Company still in business. Suburban Cigarette Service now located 8940 Ogden Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois. CAPONE should be considered ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] unless otherwise indicated: b6 b7C

PERSONAL HISTORY and BACKGROUND

The following information was obtained from the files of the Chicago Crime Commission by SA DENNIS W. SHANAHAN on January 31, 1958:

RALPH is an elder brother of AL. He was born in Italy in 1894, and came to this country when he was about one year old. He claims he is a U. S. citizen. In 1922, when he was about 28, he first came to the attention of the law enforcement officials, being indicted with SALVATORE SPECIAL for selling and possessing intoxicating liquor. During the 1920's and 1930's, RALPH was associated with his brother, AL, in the operation of gambling places, houses of ill fame, smuggling liquor, and other forms of racketeering in Chicago and Cicero. He was married and divorced. A son, RALPH, was found dead in bed within the last month, apparently from over consumption of alcohol.

In recent years RALPH has not been too active in the rackets in Chicago. He spends nearly all of his time in Mercer, Wisconsin.

Subpoena was served on CAPONE on September 19 by Deputy Marshal [redacted] of Superior, Wisconsin. At the time, [redacted] reported there was a party at CAPONE's place at Mercer at which there was first reported that Congressman b6 b7C

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[redacted] was present. This could not be verified although there was some information that [redacted] campaign manager was present. CAPONE is alleged to be a supporter of [redacted] and was active around Hurley, Wisconsin on election day.

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During the period when service was sought on RALPH CAPONE he is alleged to have used two cars, one a Cadillac registered under the name of [redacted] who was reported to be a bookie and dealer in narcotics in Minocqua. The latter place is alleged to be a nesting place of some of the Chicago gangsters. Also at the party was [redacted] runs some racket in Hurley.

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Deputy [redacted] also reported that [redacted] who was being sought was at [redacted] place which is about eleven miles northwest of Minocqua. [redacted] is a Wisconsin assemblyman who led the fight to repeal the Thompson Bill which stopped gambling in Wisconsin. [redacted] was backed by RALPH CAPONE but dropped because RALPH thought he was not active enough in the fight. CAPONE supported [redacted] opponent and [redacted] was defeated in September, 1950. CAPONE is reported to have spent a considerable amount of money to defeat [redacted] and three companions were seen in [redacted] tavern where they were discussing the murder of DRURY and BAS.

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CAPONE came in response to the subpoena and stated that his accountant was [redacted] who had done all of his work for the past eight or ten years. As to his records he said that either [redacted] or [redacted] would know about it, that the only records he could possibly have is the Suburban Cigarette account. CAPONE stated that he was interested in the Waukesha Water Company which went out of business in 1942 or 1943. It was a corporation. He put money into it and turned it over to his brother-in-law, [redacted] Concerning Billie's Bar he said it was a corporation and he was working for a salary of \$3,300 per year, but he had no stock or other interest in it, and the same applied to the Rex Hotel at Mercer. He was asked about his holdings at Little Martha's Lake, but he refused to answer any questions and at this

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point said he would answer questions when called before the Committee. He stated that he had been out of Chicago for the past ten years and nobody would leave him alone. He was reluctant to give any information at all.

The Rex Hotel and Billie's Bar are at Mercer. It is alleged that RALPH has a resort called Racap at Little Martha's Lake. NITTI, RALPH, and AL CAPONE are alleged to have spent summer vacations at this resort.

It is believed that RALPH had an interest in the "Ship" and "Rock Garden Club" until 1938. These were [redacted] The Rock Garden was one of the largest gambling places in Chicago.

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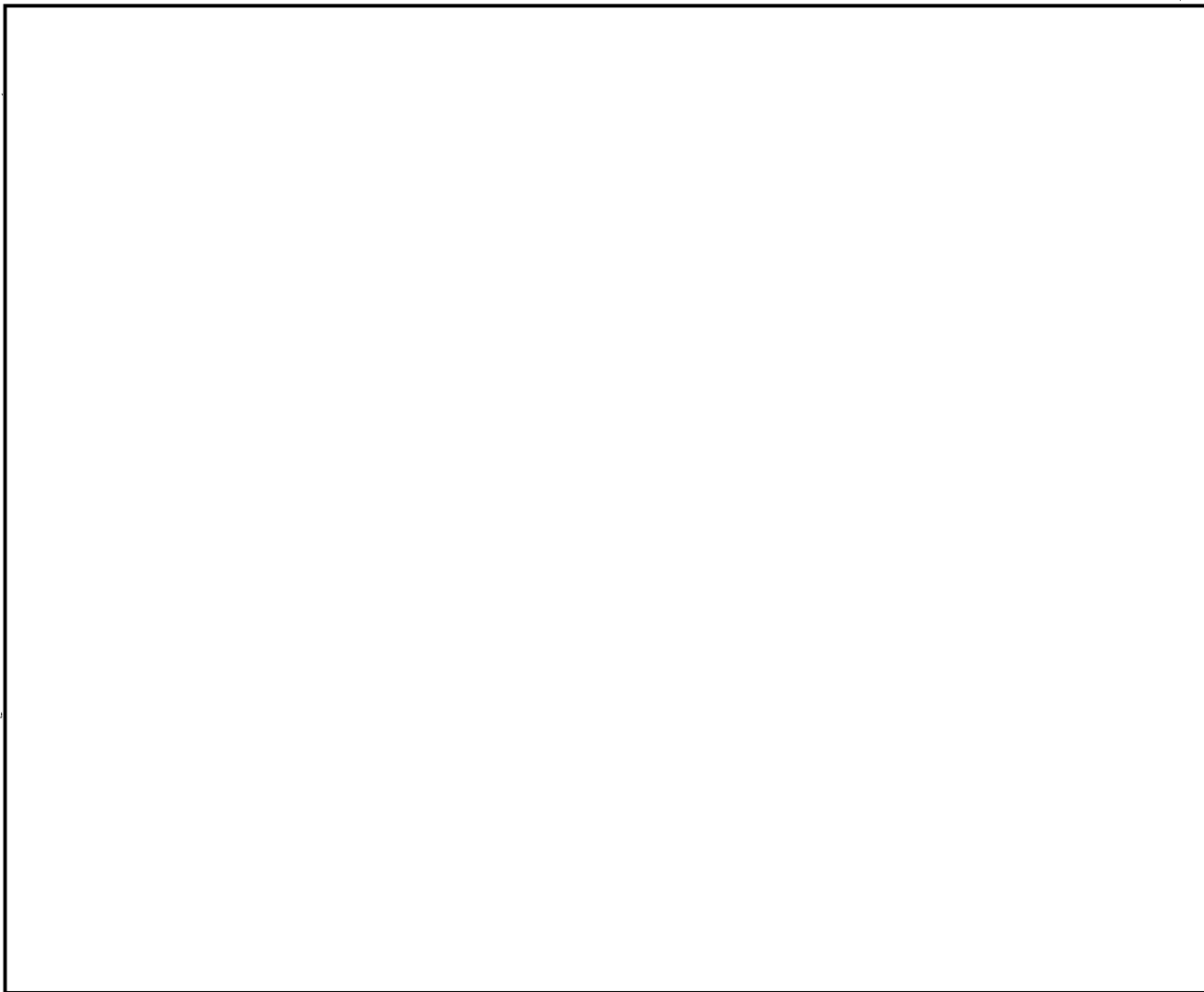
It is alleged that RALPH had an interest in the Havana Beverage Company, 3410 West Lake Street, which manufactures ginger ale and carbonated water.

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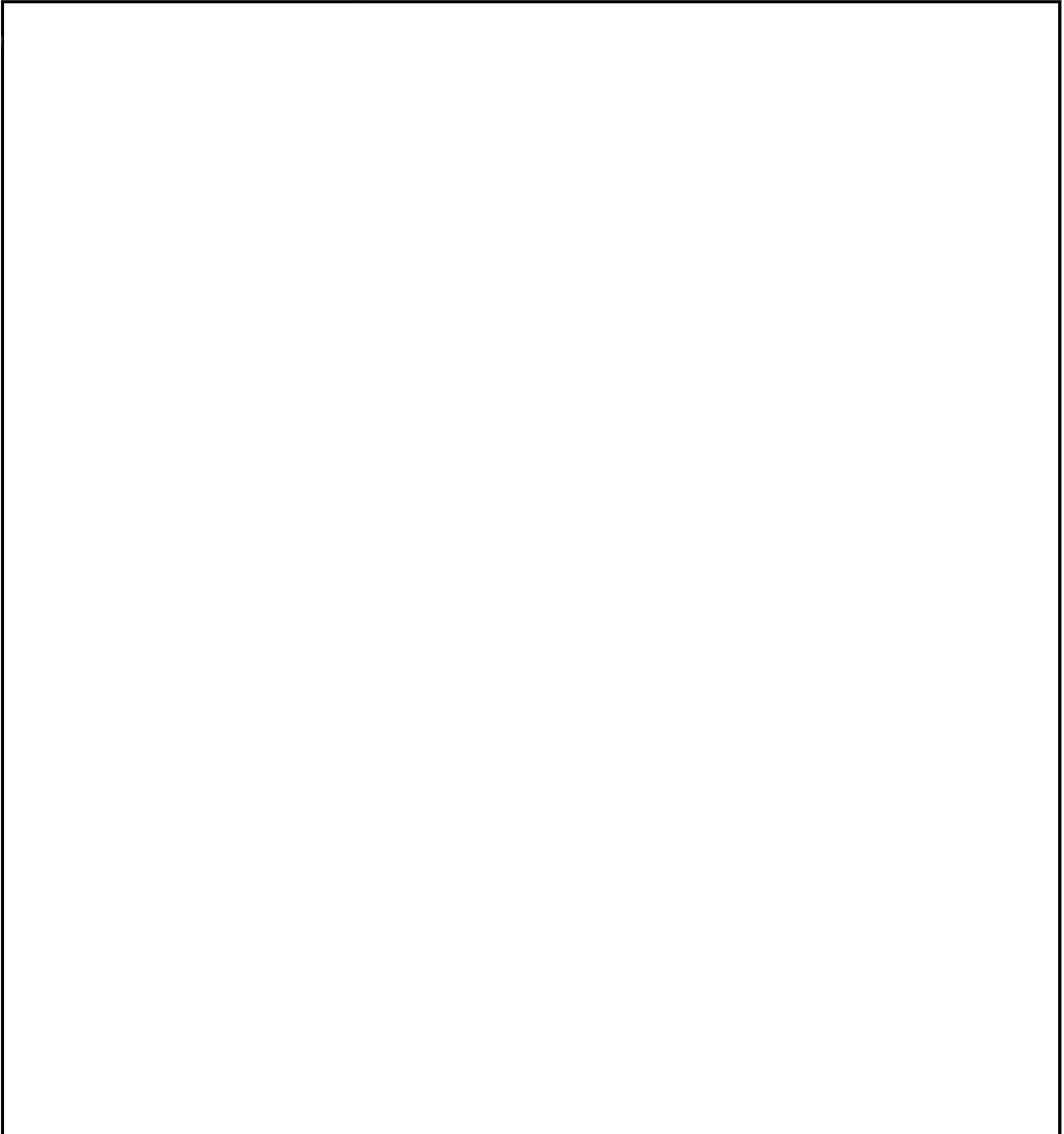
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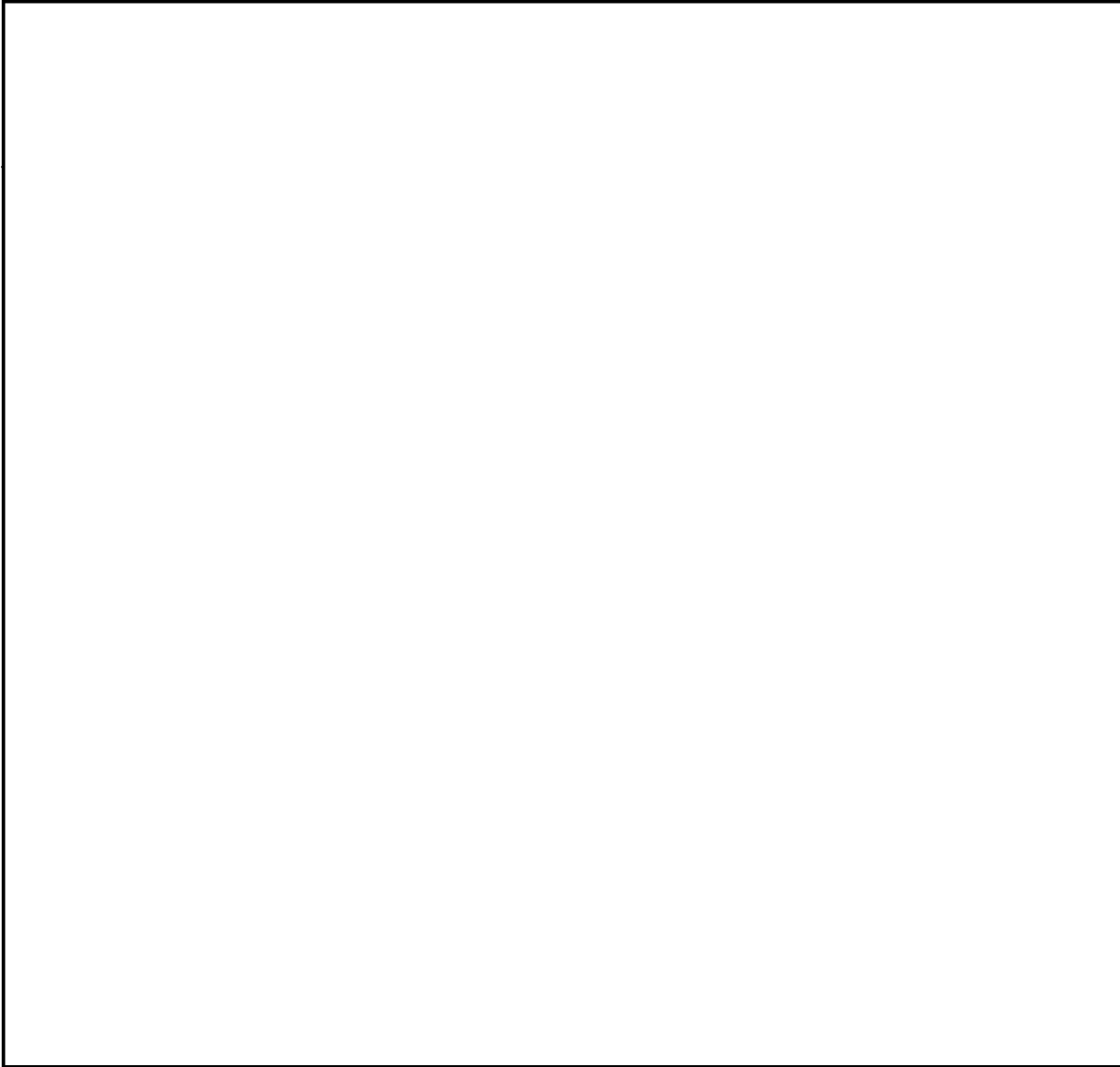
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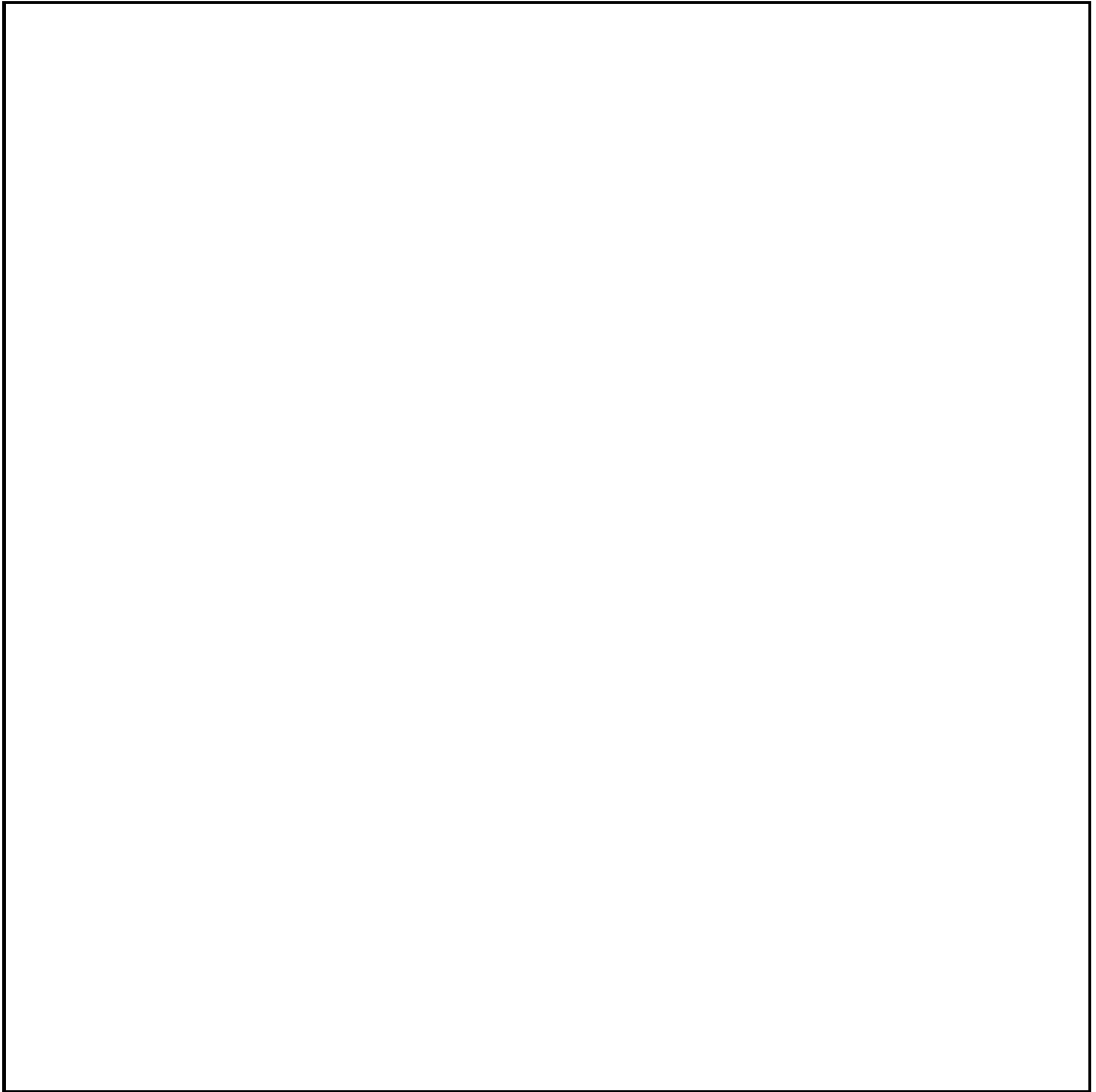
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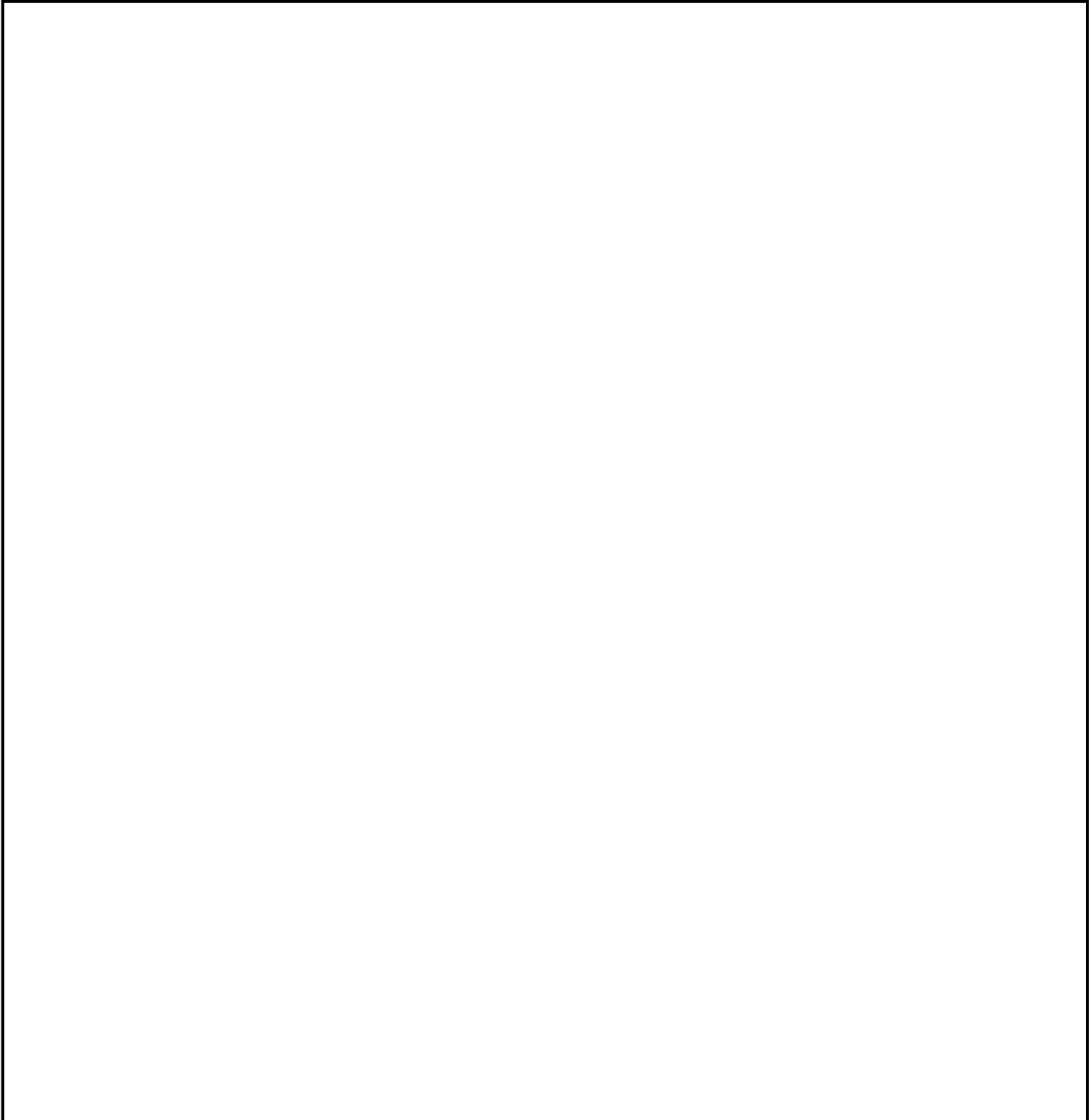


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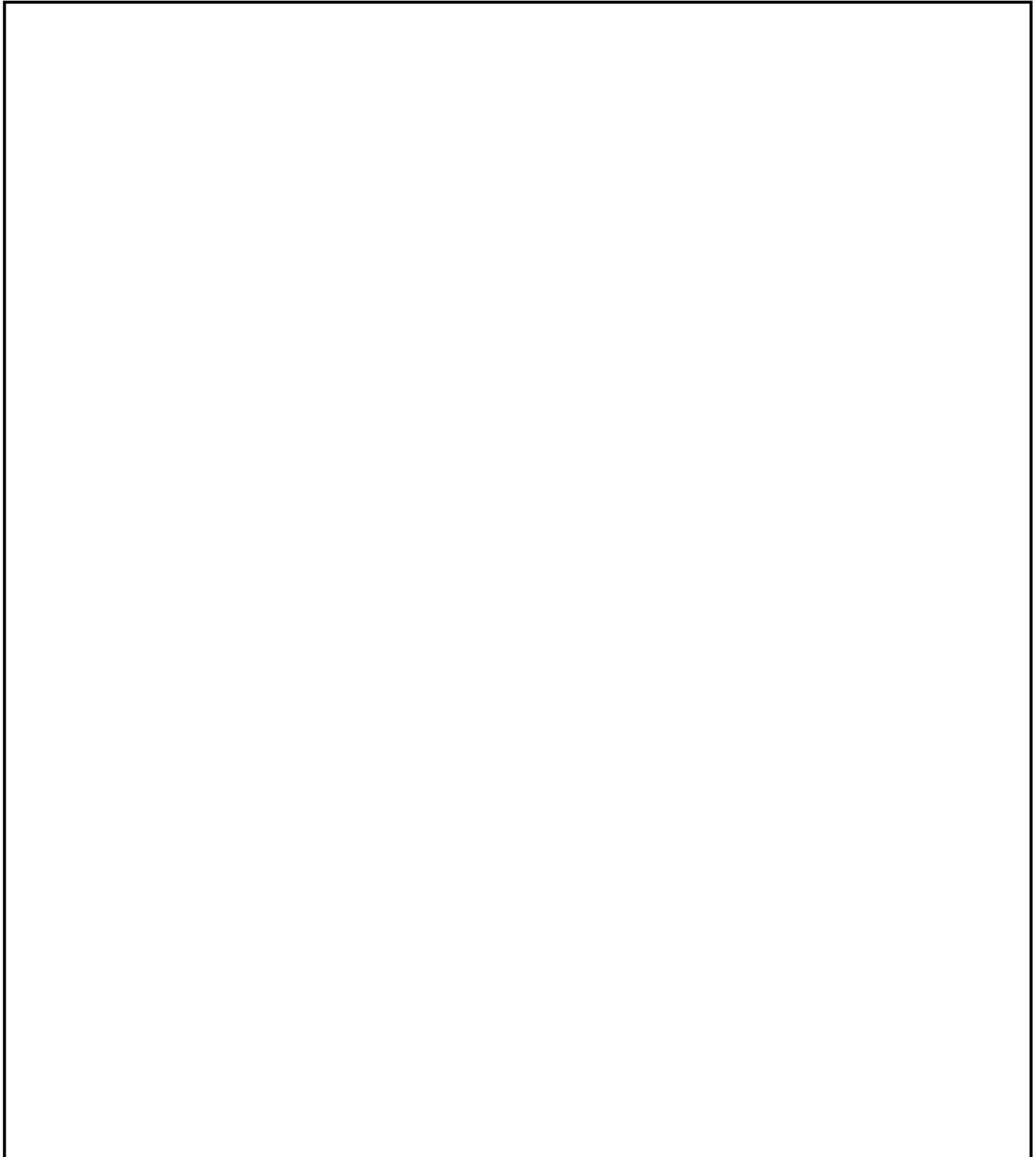
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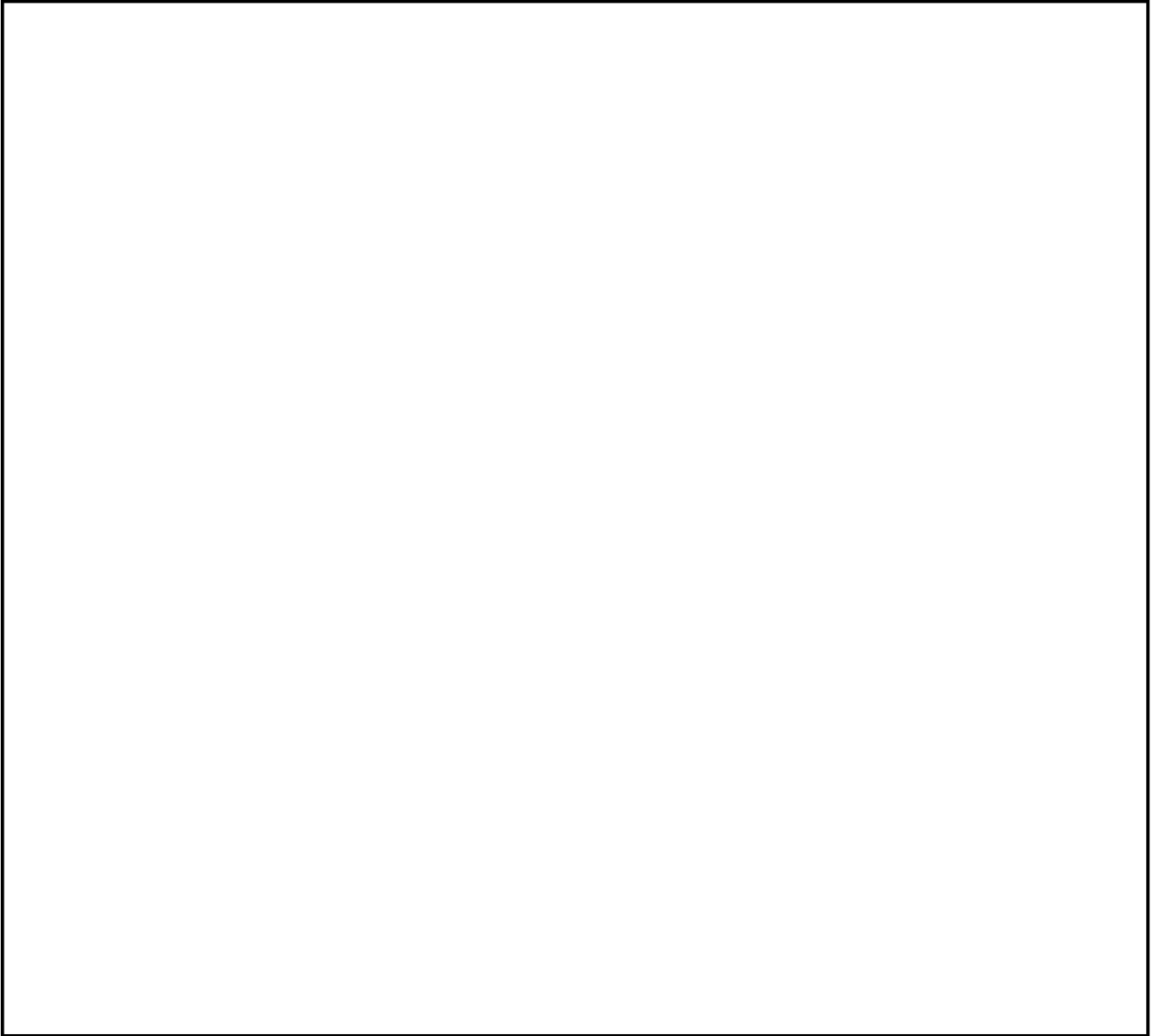
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During the hearing the Government documentary evidence showing that RALPH CAPONE maintained five separate accounts in the Pinkert State Bank, Cicero, Illinois, under the names RALPH CAPONE, JAMES COSTELLO Jr., JAMES CARSON, JAMES CARTER, and JAMES CARROLL, and that he deposited from \$300,000, to \$500,000, in these accounts.

In his opening statement on behalf of the defendant, Attorney GEORGE N. MURDOCK described CAPONE as a race horseman and a bookmaker.

On April 25, 1930, CAPONE was found guilty; a motion for a new trial was continued until May 16, 1930. This motion was continued two or three times until June 16, 1930; on this last date, Judge WILKERSON denied the motion for a new trial and sentenced the defendant as follows:

Case No. 21117: three years in Federal penitentiary; fined \$10,000.

Case No. 21118: one year in the Cook County House of Correction; fined \$10,000.

Case No. 21119: three years in Federal penitentiary; fined \$10,000.

These sentences were to run concurrently, the sentence in Case No. 21118 to run with the last two years of the sentence in Cases 21117, and 21119. An appeal was granted and the defendant freed on bond.

On May 8, 1930, Federal Prohibition Agents raided the COTTON CLUB, 5340 West 22nd Street, and the MONTMARTE CAFE, 4835 West 22nd Street, both Cicero, Illinois, seeking evidence of violations of the National Prohibition Act. They failed to find RALPH CAPONE, the alleged owner, [redacted] the COTTON CLUB, and two other hoodlums for whom they had warrants. A small quantity of whiskey and two revolvers were seized at the COTTON CLUB; at the MONTMARTE CAFE, barrels

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of beer, several bottles of gin and whiskey were found and seized. Arrested by the Federal Agents were [redacted] and [redacted]

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RALPH CAPONE surrendered on May 9, 1930, upon the advice of his attorney, [redacted]. All of the persons arrested were arraigned before the United States Commissioner on a charge of conspiring to violate the National Prohibition Act; hearing was set for May 23, 1930, and bond was set at \$5,000.

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The Chicago Tribune on May 9, 1930, disclosed that RALPH CAPONE was the alleged head of a liquor smuggling ring engaged in smuggling liquor from Windsor, Ontario, Canada, to Cicero, Illinois. It was stated that two airplanes were used to transport the liquor and that the airplanes made two trips each week; during eight months of operation approximately \$1,400,000 worth of whiskey had been smuggled into the United States.

On May 23, 1930, RALPH CAPONE's hearing before the United States Commissioner on the charge of conspiring to violate the National Prohibition Act resulted in his being held for the action of the Federal Grand Jury. A Federal Grand Jury returned an indictment against CAPONE on May 28, 1930.

The Chicago Post, on May 23, 1930, quoted RALPH CAPONE as declaring that he did not own or have an interest in either the COTTON CLUB or the MONTMARTRE CAFE.

According to the Chicago News, June 11, 1930, Judge JAMES H. WILKERSON entered a "decree pro confesse" against CAPONE's night clubs, and that unless this decree was contested within thirty days, the COTTON CLUB and the MONTMARTRE CAFE would be closed by the Federal authorities for one year. They would be closed on the grounds that they were a public nuisance.

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On July 10, 1930, Federal Prohibition Agents again raided these two clubs; three persons, not identified, were arrested and a quantity of liquor was confiscated. The persons arrested were charged with maintaining a public nuisance.

Municipal Court Judge JOHN H. LYLE, on October 6, 1930, caused a warrant to be issued against RALPH CAPONE; he was charged with vagrancy in the warrant (NC No. 1004990). When the defendant appeared in court, Judge LYLE refused to accept the cash bond of \$10,000, and ordered him held and questioned by the Police regarding the discovery of confidential Police records being found in possession of the CAPONE mob. (It seems that a short time before this charge was placed against RALPH CAPONE, a list of public enemies which should have been in the files of the Police Department, had been found in the possession of the CAPONE mob and some member of the mob had marked on this list the members of the mob). RALPH CAPONE denied having any knowledge regarding this list. Upon being advised of this, Judge LYLE accepted this bond and CAPONE was released.

The Chicago American disclosed on December 12, 1930, that RALPH CAPONE and seventeen others had been re-indicted on a charge of conspiring to violate the National Prohibition Act in connection with the operation of the COTTON CLUB and the MONTMARTE CAFE. Among the seventeen others indicted were [redacted] alias

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[redacted] CAPONE's body-guard; [redacted] and one [redacted] all employees of the two clubs.

According to the Chicago News for March 12, 1931, Federal Prohibition Agents raided the COTTON CLUB and the METROPOLE HOTEL, 23rd and Michigan Avenue, a well-known hangout for members of the CAPONE gang. [redacted]

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[redacted] was arrested and a quantity of liquor was seized in the raids. It was stated that the finding of the

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liquor on the premises of the COTTON CLUB meant more trouble for RALPH CAPONE inasmuch as the COTTON CLUB had been operating under a temporary injunction since May 14, 1930, because the Federal Prohibition Agents had found liquor there in raids conducted on May 8, and May 9, 1930; RALPH CAPONE must face charges of contempt of court for injunction violation.

On April 14, 1931, the charge of vagrancy against RALPH CAPONE was nolle prossed (MC No. 1004996).

In the May 6, 1931, issue of the Chicago News there appeared an article disclosing that RALPH CAPONE was opening the CASANOVA CLUB, 1023 North State Street, as of that date.

RALPH CAPONE's attorney on June 10, 1931, according to the Chicago American, filed a petition with the United States Board of Tax Appeals, asking for a review of the findings of the Internal Revenue Department. The petition contended that the Internal Revenue Department estimated his income tax for the years 1926, 1927, and 1928, on the basis of his bank deposits which did not show his losses, that the government did not obtain records of his losses, and that because of this he did not owe the government \$311,282.00 in taxes for the three years in question.

In the petition, CAPONE admitted that he was employed as "cashier" for a gambling syndicate and claimed that he earned \$100 per week. The petition stated also that "relying on court decisions holding that no return need be made for income from illegal sources, the petitioner made no report of such income".

On July 24, 1931, the Chicago News and Times reflected that the United States Circuit Court of Appeals had upheld the decision of the lower court finding RALPH CAPONE guilty of income tax violations. The \$10,000 fine was upheld also.

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The Chicago Examiner for July 24, 1931, disclosed that TED MOORE, airplane pilot and government investigator, the star witness for the government in its case against RALPH CAPONE was missing. It was said that an intensive search for the past month had failed to find MOORE and it was feared that he was dead.

The Chicago News for November 2, 1931, disclosed that the United States Supreme Court had upheld the decisions of the lower courts finding CAPONE guilty of income tax violations.

On November 7, 1931, the Chicago Post carried an article reflecting that RALPH CAPONE had been taken to prison to serve the sentence imposed by the Federal courts on charges of income tax violation.

The Chicago Tribune for August 23, 1934, disclosed that RALPH CAPONE and nine other persons were seized in a raid by the State's Attorney's Police in a flat above a tavern in Berwyn; the address was 2141 South Oak Park Avenue. Seized for questioning concerning complaints received by the State's Attorney that RALPH CAPONE had re-organized remnants of the old CAPONE gang to force saloonkeepers in the western part of Cook County to buy beer from the GREAT LAKES Brewery, Calumet City, were the following: EDWARD G. KONVALINKA, Republican Committeeman and candidate for State Senator from the 19th District; PERCY HALLER, FRANK CUNNINGHAM, LOUIS SCHULTZ, JOHN BAKER, EARL FRAYER, BILL MISSKO, RALPH SCHILZO, and JAMES NOVAK, a suspect in the St. Valentine's Day massacre.

It was indicated that RALPH CAPONE returned to Chicago on February 27, 1934, upon his release from MC NEIL ISLAND.

It should be noted here that PERCY HALLER was the manager of the COTTON CLUB for RALPH CAPONE.

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EDWARD G. KONVALINKA, Republican Committeeman and candidate for State Senator, was released after he told the Police that he had rented the flat several weeks ago for his political headquarters.

On January 21, 1936, the Chicago Tribune disclosed that liens for Federal Alcohol Tax claims totaling \$127,439, were filed against six prohibition era beer and liquor runners on January 20, 1936. Those against whom the liens were filed were RALPH CAPONE, 1117 South Austin Boulevard, Cicero; JOSEPH FUSCO, 7342 Prairie Avenue; MICHAEL LAPRISTI, 3222 South Wells; JOHN J. NOLAN, Lyons, Illinois; ALBERT JOHNSON, 5632 Mozart Street; and NICHOLAS JUFFRA, 6906 Clyde Avenue.

According to the Chicago Tribune for March 14, 1936, RALPH CAPONE offered the United States Government \$2,000, in settlement of the Government's claim of \$6,000 against him for income taxes for the years 1922 to 1925.

On March 11, 1938, the Chicago Tribune disclosed that Mrs. VELMA CAPONE, wife of RALPH, filed suit for divorce on the grounds of cruelty. The bill on behalf of Mrs. CAPONE stated that they were married on May 10, 1928, and that they separated on December 26, (presumably 1937). Her attorney, FRANK TWEED, stated that RALPH CAPONE was in the water business.

The Chicago Tribune dated March 23, 1939, reflects that RALPH CAPONE was served with a subpoena requiring him to testify in the Government's tax case against JOHN TORRIO. The subpoena was served on CAPONE in the office of the WAUKESHA WATER COMPANY, 116 West Hubbard Street, his employer.

According to the Chicago Tribune for May 6, 1939, Mrs. VELMA CAPONE was granted a divorce from her husband, RALPH CAPONE.



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The Chicago Tribune for March 25, 1939, disclosed that Attorney CHARLES SCHAUH had informed Federal Judge CHARLES E. WOODWARD that negotiations were in progress in Washington, D. C. for settlement of the Government's claim for \$20,000 in income taxes for the years 1922, 1923, and 1924 against RALPH CAPONE. As a result of this, the civil suit against CAPONE was stricken from the court call with leave to reinstate.

On October 23, 1939, the Chicago News disclosed that civil judgment for \$12,289.50 was entered in the Federal Court of Judge CHARLES E. WOODWARD against RALPH CAPONE for income tax and penalties for 1922 to 1925. It was said that another judgment against CAPONE was in preparation for his tax delinquencies for 1926 to 1928.

The Chicago Tribune on June 1, 1940, disclosed that RALPH CAPONE was arrested on May 31, 1940, as a suspicious person. When questioned by Assistant United States Attorney WILBERT F. CROWLEY and Captain DANIEL GILBERT, CAPONE claimed that he was making an honest living peddling the products of the WAUKESHA WATER COMPANY, 116 West Hubbard; he denied knowing anything about slot machines or EDWARD VOGEL, reputed syndicate boss of this business, a matter in which the State's Attorney was interested.

On November 27, 1940, the Chicago Tribune announced that the State's Attorney's Office was investigating the sales of tavern water; it was said that the inquiry into the alleged hoodlum control of the bartender's union had brought to the attention of the authorities the fact that hoodlums were trying to gain control of the tavern bottled water business. This effort was being made, according to tavern owners, by representatives of CAPONE controlled companies, namely, the WAUKESHA WATER COMPANY, 116 West Hubbard, in which RALPH CAPONE was said to play a prominent part and the HAVANA BEVERAGE COMPANY in which JOHN CAPONE was interested. Muscle methods of salesmanship

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had not been resorted to; however, one tavern owner said that he considered it "a good idea to have a bottle of hoodlum water on hand in case some of the boys drop in".

This article estimated that approximately 672,000 bottles of mixed water was used by Chicago taverns each month, and that revenue from the sales of this would amount to a large sum.

On June 29, 1942, the Chicago Tribune carried an article reflecting that PETER SHAYNE, President of the Chicago Motion Picture Operators Union, was to testify in New York City on the following day regarding statements made by him previously concerning payments made by the Union to the CAPONE syndicate. It was said that the syndicate maintained iron-handed control of the Chicago Union and that SHAYNE's statements concerned "certain envelopes containing money" which he, for a long time, handed to NICK CIRCELLA, alias NICK DEAN, and more recently, passed on to RALPH "BOTTLES" CAPONE.

It should be noted here that this information was developed during the investigation of the extortion of more than one million dollars from four major motion picture producers by the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees and Motion Picture Operators. NICK CIRCELLA, on a plea of guilty, was sentenced to eight years in a Federal penitentiary; GEORGE BROWNE and WILLIE BIOFF, also implicated in the extortion plot, were given similar sentences.

On February 18, 1943, the Chicago Tribune and American carried articles reflecting that RALPH CAPONE and other "big shots" of the syndicate were being sought by the United States Marshal in connection with a mammoth income tax investigation; this investigation was the result of statements made by NICK CIRCELLA, GEORGE BROWNE, and WILLIE BIOFF, who were seeking to lighten the sentences imposed in connection with the movie extortion plot.

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It was pointed out in the American that many authorities believe that the torch murder of ESTELLE CAREY, CIRCELLA's sweetheart and confidante, grew out of the "heat" placed on the gangsters by statements made by CIRCELLA, BROWNE, and BIOFF.

On February 20, 1943, the "Chicago Tribune" disclosed that ABRAHAM TEITELBAUM, the CAPONES' attorney, advised the United States Marshal that RALPH CAPONE might surrender to them in order to see why they were seeking to serve him, CAPONE, with a subpoena. TEITELBAUM said also that RALPH CAPONE might go to New York City and appear before a Federal Grand Jury if he did not surrender. This article indicated that the Federal Grand Jury wished to question RALPH CAPONE concerning the activities of GEORGE BROWNE, WILLIE BIOFF, and NICK CIRCELLA.

The Chicago Sun dated March 6, 1943, disclosed that RALPH CAPONE had returned to Chicago, after having undergone a three day grilling by a New York Grand Jury in connection with the \$1,000,000 motion picture shake-down.

On April 5, 1943, the Chicago News identified RALPH CAPONE as the owner of a two-story building located at 1600 South Austin Boulevard, Cicero, Illinois, and stated that he also maintained a swank apartment on Chicago's Lake Shore. On April 14, 1943, the News disclosed that it was incorrect in stating that RALPH CAPONE was the owner of the building mentioned above. The owner was JAMES NOVOTNY, a justice of the peace and life insurance broker, who purchased it from Mrs. GRACE PHEASANT, whose daughter, VELMA, married RALPH CAPONE in 1928.

The Chicago Sun for September 9, 1943, disclosed that the Cook County Sheriff's Office reported to the Circuit Court that his deputies had not been able to serve RALPH CAPONE with papers in connection with a \$20,424 personal property tax suit filed in 1934.

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This suit involved taxes allegedly owed the county for 1932. When advised that RALPH CAPONE had not been served, Judge WILLIAM V. BROTLERS dismissed the action.

On October 12, 1943, the Chicago American carried an article reflecting that RALPH CAPONE had been subpoenaed the national racket syndicate trial in New York City which would be resumed on the following Thursday.

A confidential informant on May 12, 1943, advised that the cigar store at 166 Monroe Street, was owned by a brother of AL CAPONE, that it operated without a license, and was a blind for a large gambling place. Investigation during May and June, 1943, indicated that a large gambling place was in operation, probably in a second floor room.

### III. MISCELLANEOUS:

During the first six months of 1930, it was rumored that RALPH CAPONE owned an interest in the GRAND CENTRAL SURETY COMPANY, a bail bond company which signed bonds for numerous well-known hoodlums in Chicago such as PONY ACCARDO, JAMES "FUR" SALMONS, and RALPH CAPONE.

On September 24, 1930, a Federal Grand Jury was convened to determine if this rumor was true. [redacted]

[redacted] testimony was not substantiated; however, Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] stated it was true.

In 1943, the following persons lived at 7244 Prairie Avenue: (as of June, 1943)

ERLENS J. CAPONE  
MARY CAPONE  
THERESA CAPONE

Born April, 1904 b7C  
" August, 1913  
" December, 1873

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JOHN MARITOTE  
MAFAIDA MARITOTE  
[redacted]

Born September, 1908  
" January, 1912  
" [redacted]

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IV. CRIMINAL RECORD: (As obtained from the files of the  
Chicago Crime Commission)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHARGE</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>
7/3/21	VS 942 CC	7/5/21 \$5. and Costs
?/?/22	N. P. A.	2/22/23 \$100.
1/24/23	Sec. 40 NVL	2/16/23 Dis.
2/27/26	Consp. to violate N. P. A.	Disp. not known
6/1/26	Sec. 4 Senate Bill 348	11/12/26 Quashed
6/2/26	Sec. 3 Ill. Proh. Law	11/27/26 Dis.
7/2/26	Consp. to Suborn Perjury by getting persons to swear they were lawful voters.	12/30/26 Quashed.
11/17/26	Carrying con. weapons	7/22/27 Quashed
1/30/28 New Orleans Police Dept. # 10972	Sec. 1436-- Dangerous and suspicious person; no visible means of support	Dis.
2/5/28 Memphis, Tenn. PD # 10146	Investigation	Dis.
10/4/28	Carrying Con. Weapons; Vagrancy	10/16/28 Dis.

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7/1/29

Sec. 3-155  
Chap. 38-2655

7/19/29 Dis.

11/1/29 & 1/31/30

Violation of  
Fed. Income Tax  
Laws

6/16/30 3 yrs. &  
\$10,000 on two  
counts; 1 yr. to  
H. of C. & 10,000  
on third count

It should be noted that these sentences were to run concurrently, the sentence to the House of Correction to run concurrently with CAPONE's last two years in the Federal prison, that payment of one fine was to satisfy payment of both.

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Consp. to violate      Disposition not  
N. P. A.; maintaining known  
common nuisance

10/8/30

Vagrancy

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Investigation

8/23/34 Released

6/1/40

Suspicious person

6/1/40 Released

#### V. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

The following physical description and personal information was taken from a copy of inmates record, Cook County Jail, dated November 5, 1931, and from a review of the files:

Name

RALPH J. CAPONE, alias RALPH  
CAPONE, "BOTTLES" CAPONE,  
RALPH BROWN, JAMES COSTELLO, Jr.,  
JAMES CARTER, JAMES CARROLL,  
JAMES CARSON

Age

52 years (Born in Italy)(1946)

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Height	5'11"
Weight	215 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Brown
Color	White
Build	Heavy
Occupation	Race horse owner; bookmaker (1931)
Relatives	Mother--THERESA CAPONE Son-----RALPH CAPONE Jr. Brother-AL CAPONE Brother-JOHN CAPONE

T-2 another Government agency on March 5, 1958.  
advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

The files of the Chicago Office reflect that RALPH CAPONE Jr. was found dead at the Lincolnwood Apartments at 656 Wrightwood, on November 10, 1950, at which time he was working under an assumed name as a bartender at the Trade Winds, 865 Rush Street, Chicago, Illinois.

[REDACTED] Chicago Credit Bureau Incorporated, advised on February 26, 1958, that the files of her office contain no information identifiable with RALPH JAMES CAPONE under his true name or known aliases. b6 b7C

#### CRIMINAL RECORD

Sergeant [REDACTED] Bureau of Identification, Chicago Police Department, on March 6, 1958, furnished the following record for RALPH CAPONE under Bureau of Identification No. D 4856: b6 b7C

On December 31, 1923, turned over to LaGrange, Illinois, Police Department, violation Saddler Act.

On June 1, 1926, carrying concealed weapons. Indictment quashed November 12, 1926.

On June 16, 1930, sentenced to one year in Cook County Jail for violation of Internal Revenue Act to run consecutively with Federal sentence of same date for conspiracy to evade United States Income Tax Law.

On October 8, 1930, vagrancy. Discharged on April 19, 1931.

On May 30, 1940, investigation. Released on May 31, 1940.

On December 20, 1950, investigation. No disposition for this arrest could be located in the Bureau of Identification or Bureau of Records and Communications.



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The Chicago Police Department, on March 21, 1958, furnished a photograph of RALPH CAPONE which was taken on December 20, 1950.

Sergeant [ ] Cook County Sheriff's Office, advised on March 10, 1958, that the records of the Sheriff's Office only dated back to 1952. Arrest records are maintained on a day to day basis and no alphabetical index is maintained. Sergeant [ ] stated that unless the exact date of arrest was known, it would be necessary to check the records for every day since the record system was started in order to determine if the subject had ever been arrested by the Cook County Sheriff's Office.

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Sergeant [ ] District 3, Illinois State Police, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA [ ], on March 19, 1958, that the local districts of the Illinois State Police keep no records other than traffic records and wanted notices. Sergeant [ ] further advised that all other records kept by the Illinois State Police are maintained at the State Police Headquarters in Springfield, Illinois.

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[ ] Assistant Chief Deputy, United States Marshal, Chicago, Illinois, was contacted on February 24, 1958. [ ] further advised that the Marshal's Office does not take any photographs. [ ] advised that the only way a prisoner of the Marshal's Office would be photographed would be if he was held overnight for the Marshal's Office by the Cook County Jail.

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The records of the Marshal's Office reflect that each time RALPH CAPONE was arrested by the United States Marshal, he was released on bond on the same date.

United States Marshal No. 19526 reflects that RALPH CAPONE, was., RALPH JAMES, RALPH CAPPER, was arrested on January 17, 1952, for false income tax. At the time of his arrest, CAPONE gave his address as 7244 Prairie Avenue. CAPONE was released on \$5,000 bond on the same date.

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The United States District Court number was shown as 52CR24. No disposition was shown.

United States Marshal No. 18597 reflects that RALPH CAPONE was arrested on March 19, 1951, for evasion of income tax and was released on \$35,000 bond on the same date. United States Commissioner [redacted] number was shown as [redacted]. No disposition was shown.

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File 52CR24 regarding RALPH CAPONE, was., RALPH JAMES, and RALPH CAPPER, 7244 Prairie Avenue, was reviewed in the office of the Clerk of the Court, United States District Court, Chicago, Illinois, on February 25, 1958.

This file reflected that the proceedings involved a violation of Section 1001, Title 18, United States Code, knowingly and willfully making a false statement in a matter within the jurisdiction of the Treasury Department of the United States.

The indictment was filed on January 16, 1952; November 21, 1952, the indictment was dismissed by Judge J. CAMPBELL; December 19, 1952, the United States Attorney appealed the dismissal; February 19, 1953, the appeal was dismissed on motion of the United States Attorney.

File No. 35562 regarding RALPH J. CAPONE, 7244 Prairie Avenue, was reviewed in the office of the Clerk of the Court, United States District Court, Chicago, Illinois, on March 4, 1958. This file reflects that the disposition of the arrest by the United States Marshal's Office on March 19, 1951, as case dismissed on September 10, 1951, on a motion of the Government.

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It is noted that while RALPH JAMES CAPONE was in the Chicago area on March 1, 1958, he met [redacted] at the Burlington Railroad Station, Berwyn, Illinois.

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Also while being in the Chicago area on March 1, 1958, CAPONE met an unidentified individual driving a 1957 Oldsmobile bearing 1958 Illinois license 2509 130 in a forest preserve parking lot in Lyons, Illinois.

1958 Illinois license 2509 130 is registered to LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ, 40 East Avenue, Riverside, Illinois, for a 1957 Oldsmobile, Holiday coupe, Factory No. 597M26619.

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA [redacted] the following information regarding LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ, was., LOUIE, L. J. MEYER, J. L. MEYER, which was recorded in the files of the Chicago Office on September 13, 1944. LIPSCHULTZ, a brother-in-law of JACK GUZIK, a notorious syndicate member, is believed by T-3 to be a powerful figure in Cicero, Illinois, crime. LIPSCHULTZ is known to citizens of Cicero as a killer and dangerous man. Referral/Consult

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T-3 related that in about 1939, [redacted]

[redacted]

LIPSCHULTZ's signature as "L. J. MEYER, and J. L. MEYER" appears in the Bank files, LIPSCHULTZ signing safety deposit box entry blanks both as L. J. MEYER, and J. L. MEYER. (Information regarding signatures of LIPSCHULTZ made available to SA [redacted])

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T-3 remembered that LIPSCHULTZ was one of the controlling figures in the Ogden Beverage Company, later known as the J. Wellstead Morrison Company.

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[redacted] who is presently securing a divorce from her  
husband [redacted]

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unknown Agent of the Chicago Office in March, 1942, that

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[redacted] stated that in January, 1943, her  
husband was honorably discharged from the Army for medical  
reasons and secured a job from RALPH CAPONE and LOUIE  
LIPSCHULTZ [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that LIPSCHULTZ is  
the former owner of the old Fort Dearborn Liquor Company,  
Chicago, Illinois, which is presently out of business  
and went out of business as a result of a black market  
investigation concerning LIPSCHULTZ and the liquor market.

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[redacted] stated that one [redacted] who now owns a small liquor store in the downtown Loop of Chicago, name or location unknown to [redacted] was a partner with LIPSCHULTZ in the old Fort Dearborn Liquor Company. [redacted] stated that RALPH CAPONE and LOUIE LIPSCHULTZ own the following night clubs for the syndicate:

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1. 4811 Club,  
Cicero, Illinois.
2. Paddock Club,  
Cicero, Illinois.
3. Club Morocco,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Regarding the Club Morocco, [redacted] stated

[redacted] advised that she believes SAM COOPERMAN is a nonentity and is merely a name used by the syndicate as a president of the Club Morocco Corporation.

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[redacted] stated that Rinella's Brown Derby Theatre Cafe, located at the corner of Wabash and Monroe Streets, in the Palmer House Building, is owned by the syndicate through RALPH CAPONE and LOUIE LIPSCHULTZ. Also, the Dreamland, a taxi-dance located at Stickney, Illinois, and Orrie's Chicken Shack, Stickney, Illinois, are business enterprises of the syndicate operated by RALPH CAPONE and LOUIE LIPSCHULTZ.

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JOSEPH V. MOREJS, Chief of Police, Cicero, Illinois, was contacted by G. W. MC SWAIN, former Special Agent in Charge of the Chicago Office, and [redacted] on June 4, 1948, in connection with another official investigation. At that time, Chief of Police MOREJS advised that at a meeting in his office, LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ said he wanted to know how things stood - that he was representing other persons interested in slot machines and bookie operations and that it was big business.

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NOREJS stated that he told LIPSCHULTZ that they could not operate in Cicero - that he was Chief of Police, and working on orders received from Mayor JOHN C. STOFFEL, and that regardless of any former arrangements, which might have been made, that was past and that under the new Mayor, such things as slot machines and bookie operations were out.

JOHN C. STOFFEL was elected mayor of Cicero, Illinois, on April 6, 1948, and JOSEPH V. NOREJS was appointed Chief of Police on April 20, 1948.

[redacted] furnished the following information regarding a LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ in July, 1935:

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[redacted] advised that AL CAPONE had been responsible for the famed St. Valentine's Day massacre which occurred on February 14, 1925, in a garage at 2127 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois. [redacted]

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T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA [redacted] on May 17, 1957, that he believes that gambling is about to open up on a big scale in the Western suburbs of Chicago with LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ and "BEN" CAPONE controlling the operation. These two men, according to T-4, are presently running Cicero, Illinois, under SAM GIANCANA. An individual known to T-4 as [redacted] (ph) is the leg man for LIPSCHULTZ and CAPONE. SAMUEL L. GIANCANA is a top hoodlum of the Chicago Office. b6 b7C b7D

T-2 advised on March 26, 1958, that RALPH CAPONE was seen in the company of MANNY SKAR in the Scotch Mist Night Club on the night of March 22, 1958.

One MANNY SKAR, FBI No. 4003936, was the subject of Chicago File captioned MANNY SKAR, doing business as United Clothing Store, Aberdeen, South Dakota, National Bankruptcy Act - Mail Fraud, Minneapolis being the office of origin. SKAR also operated the Francine Shop, 1554 West Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. SKAR was born MANDEL SKAR on April 29, 1923, Chicago, Illinois, and is described as height, 5'5½" tall; weight, 130 pounds. During the investigation, SKAR stated that between October, and November, 1950, he borrowed \$500 from RALPH CAPONE Jr.

[redacted] personally appeared at the Chicago Office of the FBI on March 19, 1958. At this time, she advised SA [redacted] that she is [redacted] a retired Chicago Policeman, who has admitted to her that he was once involved with the CAPONES. [redacted] stated that [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] stated that [redacted] now lives very near RALPH CAPONE at [redacted] telephone No. [redacted]

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[ ] stated that he may again be involved with CAPONE. Another retired Policeman, [ ] lives with [ ]

The files of the Chicago Office contain no information identifiable with [ ] or [ ]

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#### CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

Assistant United States Attorney [ ] [ ] advised on March 5, 1958, that there is a summons in a civil action outstanding for RALPH JAMES CAPONE which requires his appearance before the United States Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, within twenty days after service. This summons is dated June 7, 1957, and expires October 17, 1958, and can only be served on CAPONE within the Northern District of Illinois. This summons was originally filed on December 30, 1952. This civil action is an effort by the United States Government to collect taxes from CAPONE for the years 1926, 1927, and 1928, in the amount of \$87,217.35 plus six per cent interest from date due. Assistant United States Attorney [ ] advised that the amount involved would be approximately \$240,000.

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[ ] advised the summons can only be served by the United States Marshal or a Special Agent of the Internal Revenue Service and the original of this summons is presently in the possession of the Internal Revenue Service, Chicago, Illinois.

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The "Chicago Daily News" issue of February 12, 1958, reflects that [ ] Attorney for RALPH CAPONE, delivered a check in the amount of \$446 to [ ] Assistant United States Attorney, which paid up a \$23,555 tax bill owed by CAPONE.

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Assistant United States Attorney [ ] advised that this check was written by the Suburban Cigarette Service, 8940 Ogden Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois, on the

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Bank of Lyons, 8011 Ogden Avenue, Lyons, Illinois. Other checks in settlement of CAPONE's tax bill have been cashier's checks drawn on the Bank of Lyons. [redacted] advised that it was his understanding that in the past, officials of the Bank of Lyons have been very un-cooperative with Government Agents in investigations dealing with RALPH CAPONE and the Suburban Cigarette Service.

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[redacted] advised that the Internal Revenue Service has been unable to locate any other bank actions, business or personal, for RALPH CAPONE in Chicago or the surrounding area.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] (in 1955) was a [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that CAPONE shows his home address on his 1953 Federal income tax return as 10 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, which is the address of [redacted] Accountant for RALPH CAPONE.

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[redacted] advised that he had information that [redacted] or [redacted] of [redacted] or [redacted] was CAPONE's mistress when CAPONE formerly resided in Chicago.

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It is noted that CAPONE, while in the Chicago area on March 1, 1958, contacted a [redacted] who resides at [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] of the Wisconsin Amvets, Superior, Wisconsin, while having lunch with United States Attorney ROBERT TIEKEN, suggested that Mr. TIEKEN check the Milwaukee Police Department to obtain any information they might have concerning RALPH CAPONE's travel to Chicago. This information was desired in order that the summons for CAPONE, which is outstanding, might be served while he is in the Northern District of Illinois.

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[ ] stated that [ ] had not furnished the United States Attorney's Office any information regarding RALPH CAPONE.

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T-2 advised that his service at no time used [ ] to tail RALPH CAPONE. [ ] may have tailed CAPONE but if he did he was acting on his own. T-2 used [ ] only as a source of information. CAPONE used to drop into [ ] place and occasionally mention his intention of going to Milwaukee or some other destination. [ ] would meet the representative of T-2 and pass this information along.

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### LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

#### SUBURBAN CIGARETTE SERVICE

[ ] Clerk, Dun and Bradstreet Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois, on March 12, 1958, furnished the following information from their report dated April 22, 1957:

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Suburban Cigarette Service, 8940 Ogden Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois, was started in 1947, and is owned by [ ]

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#### HISTORY

Unregistered trade style is used for all business purposes. This was acknowledged verbally by owner on April 17, 1957.

[ ] is about 40 years of age, married, and a native of the United States. He is said to have acquired this business in 1947 and to have operated it from his home at [ ] until moving to the present location.

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OPERATION-LOCATION

Operates cigarette vending machine business. Has about two hundred machines and three employees. Occupies one thousand square feet, one story brick building, located on Main Street, in business district.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Owner was not available for interview on April 17, and 18, 1957, and prior dates. Person in charge declined all information of a financial nature. Available information of local sources reveal the following:

Inventory is in four figures, equipment is fair size to medium five figures; the full extent of indebtedness can not be determined and it is not known if any amounts are due on equipment.

Indications are that volume provides owner with a fairly good livelihood.

Inasmuch as financial details are lacking, net worth of this business could not be accurately determined; nevertheless, it is believed that principal has adequate funds with which to conduct operations. Banking could not be determined.

PAYMENTS

Trade references declined. Purchases said to be principally for cash and on prompt basis when paying for incidentals purchased on open account terms locally.

On March 20, 1958, the building located at 8940 Ogden Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois, was observed to be a one story duplex type brick building. The Park, Hill Realty Company, telephone No. HU-5-5055, was observed to occupy the east half of the building. There was no sign to indicate the identity of the occupant of the west half of the building. There is a sign in the front of the

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building, indicating that Thompson and Jungkans, General Contractors, Telephone No. HU-5-5152, is also located at 8940 Ogden Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois. The rear of the building is occupied by the National Auto Reconditioning Corporation.

T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 18, 1958, that the Suburban Cigarette Service, 8940 Ogden Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois, has no telephone service listed or unlisted in the name of the company.

HAVANA BEVERAGE COMPANY

[redacted] Clerk, Dun and Bradstreet Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois, on March 20, 1958, furnished the following information taken from a Dun and Bradstreet bad debt report dated May 26, 1954, regarding the Havana Beverage Company Incorporated, Bottlers and Distributors, 3410-20 West Lake Street, Chicago 24, Illinois.

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COMPANY OFFICERS

1. ANTHONY CALABRESE, President and Treasurer, born 1900, married, native born, associated in real estate, operated garage until 1931.
2. CHRIS BONLHANIS, Vice-President, age 28, native born, married.
3. HARRY BONLHANIS, Secretary, born 1924, native born, single, United States Army nine months, previous employment as truck driver prior to 1947.

ANTHONY CALABRESE, CHRIS BONLHANIS, and HARRY BONLHANIS are also directors of the company.

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On May 2, 1954, substantial loss resulted from fire at subject address. Soon after date of fire, additional capital invested by CHRIS and HARRY BONIMANIS of the Circle Lounge Incorporated, 3409 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois. Above officers held positions in Circle Lounge.

On April 26, 1954, fire and explosion occurred at the Circle Lounge, 3409 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois. A speeding car was seen passing the tavern at the time of explosion. Insurance on contents \$15,000, carried by Illini Mutual and \$5,000 business interruption insurance carried with Home Mutual. Fire and explosion caused total loss. Immediately following fire and explosion on April 26, 1954, officers invested additional money in Havana Beverage Company Incorporated.

There is no record to indicate the Havana Beverage Company is still in business.

The certified list of Domestic and Foreign Corporations compiled by CHARLES F. CARPENTIER, Secretary of State, State of Illinois, for the year 1954, shows a Havana Beverage Company, 3410 and 3420 West Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois. Under the column captioned name and address of president, secretary, and registered agent of corporation, is shown the names ANTHONY CALABRESE, 5601 North Kilbourn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; CAROLINE CALABRESE, 5601 North Kilbourn Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; and ANTHONY CALABRESE, 3410-20 West Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The certified list of Domestic and Foreign Corporations for the years 1955 and 1956 failed to reflect a listing for the Havana Beverage Company.

It was noted on March 19, 1958, that the Victory Spud Service Incorporated, is now located at 3410 West Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois. Inquiry at the

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office of the Victory Spud Service Incorporated, revealed that the company has been at this location for approximately two and one half years, and the building was vacant when the company moved in.

TRAVEL

The Milwaukee Office telephonically advised the Chicago Office on March 1, 1958, that CAPONE was under surveillance by Agents of the Milwaukee Office and that he was en route to the Chicago area.

SAs AUGUST C. KEMPF and [redacted] observed CAPONE driving a white over blue 1955 Buick bearing 1958 Wisconsin license A69973 at the junction of United States highways 45 and 12 at 12:14 p.m., March 1, 1958. CAPONE proceeded directly to Rosie's Restaurant, 3921 South Harlem Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois, and at 1:22 p.m., parked his car and entered the restaurant. b6 b7C

At 1:44 p.m., CAPONE left Rosie's Restaurant and proceeded to a parking lot in a forest preserve near Maple and 41st Streets, Lyons, Illinois, arriving there at 1:50 p.m. At 2:02 p.m., CAPONE was contacted by a white male driving a 1957 black Oldsmobile 98 hardtop, bearing 1958 Illinois license 2509 130. At 2:10 p.m., SAs [redacted] and WILLIAM F. ROEMER joined the surveillance. b6 b7C

CAPONE left the parking lot at 3:28 p.m. preceded by the aforementioned Oldsmobile. CAPONE proceeded to Halacka Shell Service Station, 3401 Harlem Avenue, Berwyn, Illinois. CAPONE then proceeded to the Harlem station of the Burlington Railroad where at 3:49 p.m. he met a woman subsequently identified as [redacted] who arrived on a Burlington commuter train from Chicago, Illinois. b6 b7C

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CAPONE and [ ] then proceeded to the vicinity of 26th and Des Plaines Streets, North Riverside, Illinois, where they circled the same block three times and then proceeded back to Harlem Avenue where they parked at the Escape, Harlem Avenue at 29th Street, Berwyn, Illinois, at 4:15 p.m. CAPONE and [ ] were subsequently observed at the bar of the Escape and then in the dining room.

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At 5:33 p.m., CAPONE and [ ] left the Escape and proceeded to the parking lot of Mangum's Chateau, 7850 Ogden Avenue, Lyons, Illinois, where they made a U-turn in the parking lot and then proceeded to the Burlington Railroad Station, Riverside, Illinois.

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[ ] boarded a Burlington suburban train proceeding toward Chicago, Illinois, at 5:58 p.m. CAPONE proceeded to United States highway 42A and headed towards Milwaukee. The surveillance of CAPONE was dropped at 6:55 p.m., and the Milwaukee Office telephonically notified that CAPONE was proceeding toward Milwaukee.

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[ ] arrived at the Union Station, Chicago, Illinois, at 6:21 p.m., and at 6:46 p.m. asked for change for a \$100 bill at a ticket window in the Union Station. [ ] ticket agent, gave [ ] change for a \$100 bill bearing serial number G05183424A, series 1950A.

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At 6:55 p.m., [ ] boarded a Chicago Transit Authority bus and subsequently entered her residence at [ ]

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It is noted that as previously reported, T-2 advised on March 5, 1958, that [REDACTED]

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Sergeant [REDACTED] Illinois State Police, Chicago, Illinois, advised on March 1, 4, 11, 18, 1958, that 1958 Illinois license 2509 130 was not yet in file. On March 19, 1958, a letter was directed to the office of the Secretary of State, State Capitol Building, Springfield, Illinois, requesting the registration for 1958 Illinois license 2509 130.

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CHARLES F. CARPENTIER, Secretary of State, State of Illinois, advised by letter dated March 21, 1958, that 1958 Illinois license 2509 130 is registered to LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ, 40 East Avenue, Riverside, Illinois, for a 1957 Oldsmobile Holiday Coupe, Factory No. 579M26619.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] was contacted on March 3, 1958. [REDACTED] made available all charges by credit card for March 1, 1958. No record could be located whether CAPONE purchased his gas by use of a credit card when in the station on March 1, 1958.

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[REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were the attendants working on March 1, 1958.

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[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] both [REDACTED] were contacted on March 3, 1958, and could not recall servicing a car fitting the description of CAPONE's or a person fitting CAPONE's description being in the station on March 1, 1958.

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T-2 advised on March 26, 1958, that RALPH CAPONE accompanied by [REDACTED] was seen in the Scotch list

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Night Club, 874 North Wabash, Chicago, Illinois, on the night of March 22, 1958. T-2 stated that RALPH CAPONE had been introduced to people in the night club by name.

PERSONAL DESCRIPTION and PHOTOGRAPH

On March 21, 1958, the Chicago Police Department furnished a photograph of RALPH CAPONE which was taken on December 20, 1950.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two disposition sheets reflecting the disposition of arrest of RALPH CAPONE by the United States Marshal on March 19, 1951, and January 17, 1952, and two photographs of RALPH CAPONE taken by the Chicago Police Department on December 20, 1950.

Enclosed for the Milwaukee Office are two photographs of RALPH CAPONE taken by the Chicago Police Department on December 20, 1950.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The information obtained from the files of the Chicago Crime Commission was compiled during the year 1950, exact date unknown.

The indices of the Chicago Office have been reviewed and no information of any pertinence regarding RALPH JAMES CAPONE was located which has not previously been furnished the Milwaukee Office.

No check of records was made at the Cicero, Illinois, Police Department. There is no known indication that RALPH CAPONE has ever been arrested by the Cicero Police Department and it is not believed that the Cicero Police Department would be -cooperative in furnishing any other information that might be in their possession regarding RALPH CAPONE.

It should be noted that SA WILLIAM W. STICKLE, who interviewed [redacted] on March 19, 1958, when she appeared at the Chicago Office, stated that she appears "quietly psycho" and [redacted] stated that she has been unable to keep any job because "the men will not leave me alone and it makes me very nervous so I get nasty with them".

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Appropriate informants in the Chicago area have been alerted regarding RALPH JAMES CAPONE. In the event any information of a positive nature is received, the Milwaukee Office will be notified.

The files of the Chicago Credit Bureau Incorporated, were checked on February 26, 1958, at the request of Investigative Clerk [redacted]

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The records of the Bureau of Identification, Chicago Police Department, were checked on March 6, 1958, at the request of Investigative Clerk [REDACTED]

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The records of Dun and Bradstreet Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois, regarding the Suburban Cigarette Service, were checked on March 12, 1958, and regarding the Havana Beverage Company Incorporated, were checked on March 20, 1958, at the request of Investigative Clerk [REDACTED]

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INFORMANTS

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T-1

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T-2

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LEADS

THE MILWAUKEE DIVISION

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

1. No lead is being set forth to have [ ] Superior, Wisconsin, interviewed as Chicago is unaware of the purpose of this interview. [ ] did not furnish the United States Attorney's Office, Chicago, Illinois, any information regarding CAPONE but at lunch merely suggested that United States Attorney TIEKEN contact the Milwaukee Police Department for any information they might have regarding CAPONE's travel within the Northern District of Illinois.

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2. If a more recent photograph of RALPH CAPONE is obtained, will forward copies to Chicago for surveillance purposes.

AT MERCER, WISCONSIN

Will determine if [ ] or [ ] both reportedly retired Chicago Policemen, have any connection with RALPH CAPONE.

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THE SPRINGFIELD DIVISION

AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

Will obtain background on all arrests of RALPH CAPONE at the Illinois State Police Headquarters, and any other information that the State Police might have regarding CAPONE.

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THE CHICAGO DIVISION

AT BROOKFIELD, ILLINOIS

Will conduct spot surveillances at the Suburban Cigarette Service, 8940 Ogden Avenue, to determine if [redacted] for Suburban Cigarette Service, fits the description of the individual by the last name of [redacted] who allegedly meets RALPH CAPONE in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, once a month.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

1. The March 11, 1938, issue of the Chicago Tribune stated that VELMA CAPONE filed for a divorce on the grounds of cruelty. This article states VELMA and RALPH CAPONE were married on May 10, 1928, and separated on December 26, year not shown. Will at the Bureau of Vital Statistics verify marriage and divorce of VELMA and RALPH CAPONE.

2. Will determine the owner of the building at 3410 West Lake Street, the former address of the Havana Beverage Company, to determine if the owner knows if the Havana Beverage Company is definitely out of business. It is noted that the 1955 and 1956 certified list of Domestic and Foreign Corporations, compiled by CHARLES F. CARPENTIER, Secretary of State, State of Illinois, failed to reflect a Havana Beverage Company doing business in the State of Illinois.

3. Will attempt to determine if MANNY SKAR, who was seen with RALPH CAPONE in the Scotch Mist Night Club on the night of March 22, 1958, is identical with the MANNY SKAR who is the subject of Chicago File 49-1930.

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4. Will cover leads not previously covered as set forth in referenced communication.

AT LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS

Will determine the disposition of arrest when RALPH CAPONE was turned over to the LaGrange Police Department by the Chicago Police Department on December 31, 1923, for violation of the Saddler Act.

AT RIVERSIDE, ILLINOIS

Will attempt to determine relationship between RALPH CAPONE and LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ, 40 East Avenue, who is the registered owner of the 1957 Oldsmobile which met RALPH CAPONE in a forest preserve parking lot in Lyons, Illinois, on March 1, 1958.

REFERENCES

Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER dated 1/14/58 at Milwaukee.  
Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER dated 2/6/58 at Milwaukee.  
Milwaukee letter to the Bureau dated 2/20/58.  
Chicago airtel to Milwaukee dated 3/10/58.

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ENCLOSURES TO THE BUREAU FROM SAC, CHICAGO

Two (2) photographs of RALPH CAPONE taken by the  
Chicago Police Department on December 20, 1950.

Re: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Bureau File No. 92-3001  
Chicago File No. 92-442

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

*RDA*  
TO : Director, FBI (92-3001)  
FROM : SAC, Chicago (92-442)  
SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.

DATE: April 9, 1958

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ANTI-RACKETEERING  
OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Milwaukee

Reference is made to the Office of Origin letter  
~~Report~~ in the above captioned matter dated 2/20/58.

The office of origin and the Bureau are advised that a complete review has been made of the above captioned communication as a part of over 100 such cases now presently pending in the Chicago Division per instruction of Assistant Director ALEX ROSEN, in order to evaluate the necessity for the coverage of these leads as being pertinent to the over all purpose of the investigation, i.e. to acquire current top level intelligence data and develop cases within FBI jurisdiction.

This review reflects some portion of the leads do not appear feasible from this viewpoint and due to the volume, Chicago is just not physically able to cover them within a reasonable time.

It is requested that the office of origin re-evaluate on the basis of logical pertinency of each individual lead and again set forth its desires to both the Bureau and this office for future coverage.

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United States Department of Justice

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS  
450 UNITED STATES COURT HOUSE  
CHICAGO

April 3, 1958

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Director  
U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It is my very great pleasure to report to you that your Chicago Office in a little over a month has enabled the Government to effect service on Ralph J. Capone (of the famous family) in a civil suit to collect approximately \$200,000.00 of past due income tax and interest which has been pending without service since 1952. Capone lives in Wisconsin and operates a number of illegal establishments there. He has been avoiding entering this District at regular intervals to avoid service. Yesterday your agents pointed him out for service.

It is my firm belief that finally effecting service of process on Ralph Capone is going to be one of the most helpful steps in dealing with organized crime in this area, and your Agent In Charge deserves the credit.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Ticken  
United States

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE was.</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>2/58</b>	TYPED BY <b>j1</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

**SYNOPSIS:**

RALPH JAMES CAPONE, FBI NO. 145 581, still resides Mercer, Wis. with mistress, [redacted] but claims non-resident of Wis. to Wis. tax authorities. No banks located Mercer, Wis. where Subject could have accounts; however, CI believes [redacted] might have accounts for CAPONE in Nat. Metals Bank, Ironwood, Mich. under names [redacted] or [redacted]. Investigation to date fails to reflect Subject has any holdings in St. of Wis. under true name or known aliases. Subject still travels to Milwaukee, Wis. approximately once a month and his activities were observed by Bureau Agents from 2/28 to 3/5/58 during which time Subject travelled to Milwaukee where he frequented the following places: Ambassador Hotel, Frenchy's Restaurant, Vogue Tavern, Timber Ridge Restaurant, the James Gagliano Fruit and Produce Co. and Fazio's Restaurant, where, in the latter, was observed talking to three unknown men; two of these men later observed travelling in car bearing Wis. Lic. H79855, and one in car with Wis. Lic. K82391. Subject also observed at Rosie's Restaurant, Berwyn, Ill. In same vicinity, contacted by white male, driving 1957 black Oldsmobile with 1958 Ill. license 2509130; stopped at Halacka Shell Service Station, Berwyn; observed again as he met woman at Burlington RR Station subsequently identified as [redacted] After CAPONE

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contact, [ ] observed cashing \$100 bill. Subject's 1953 Pontiac Station Wagon now bears 1959 Wis. Lic. A69972 and his 1955 Buick, 1959 Wis. License A69973. Background [ ] set forth. Photos Subject and woman companion believed to be [ ] discreetly obtained and retained in case file. T-1 advised friend of CAPONE, in 12/57, was contacted re large slot machine gambling establishment to be located near Washington, D.C. on pier extending from Virginia to State of Maryland. CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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DETAILS:

Investigation in this matter was conducted by SA JOSEPH S. WALKER unless stated otherwise within the details of this report.

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AT MERCER, WISCONSIN:

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on February 12, 1958 advised that RALPH CAPONE is still residing at Recap Lodge near Mercer, Wisconsin.

T-1 stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RALPH CAPONE and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] he feels that CAPONE has very little power in the Chicago and Cicero, Illinois areas. He reiterated previous information furnished - - that the younger element has taken over the illegal activities and unknown rackets in that area and that individuals in the rackets are assigned territories and are not permitted to enter the territories assigned to another individual. Informant said that he believes payoffs are still being made in the Chicago and Cicero areas and allegedly these payoffs are much smaller than in the past years and may be one of the reasons that the younger element has not developed trouble. b6 b7C b7D

T-14, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on February 20, 1958, advised that Mercer, Wisconsin telephone number 9023 is listed to Bonnie and Joe's, Mercer, Wisconsin.

T-1 advised on March 6, 1958 that [REDACTED]

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On March 6, 1958, T-1 advised that there are no banks or banking facilities at Mercer, Wisconsin and that he does not know of any banks where Subject has accounts in the State of Wisconsin.

T-1 said that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Since last contacted by Bureau agents, T-1 advised he has learned that Subject allegedly has no interest in the Black Steer Supper Club on Highway 100 near Milwaukee, Wisconsin and that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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AT EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN:

On March 6, 1958, T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to SA THOMAS J. GRAHAM tax returns filed with that office and photographs were taken of Subject's signatures appearing on these returns.

Information in these tax files reflected an undated letter was received at that tax office on July 20, 1955 in which CAPONE stated he resigned his position with Billy's Incorporated and was no longer a resident of the State of Wisconsin. An undated letter was also received at that tax office December 26, 1956 in which Subject stated he was not a resident of the State of Wisconsin.

The photographs of the signatures which appeared in these files are being retained in the case file in the Milwaukee Office for future reference.

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN:

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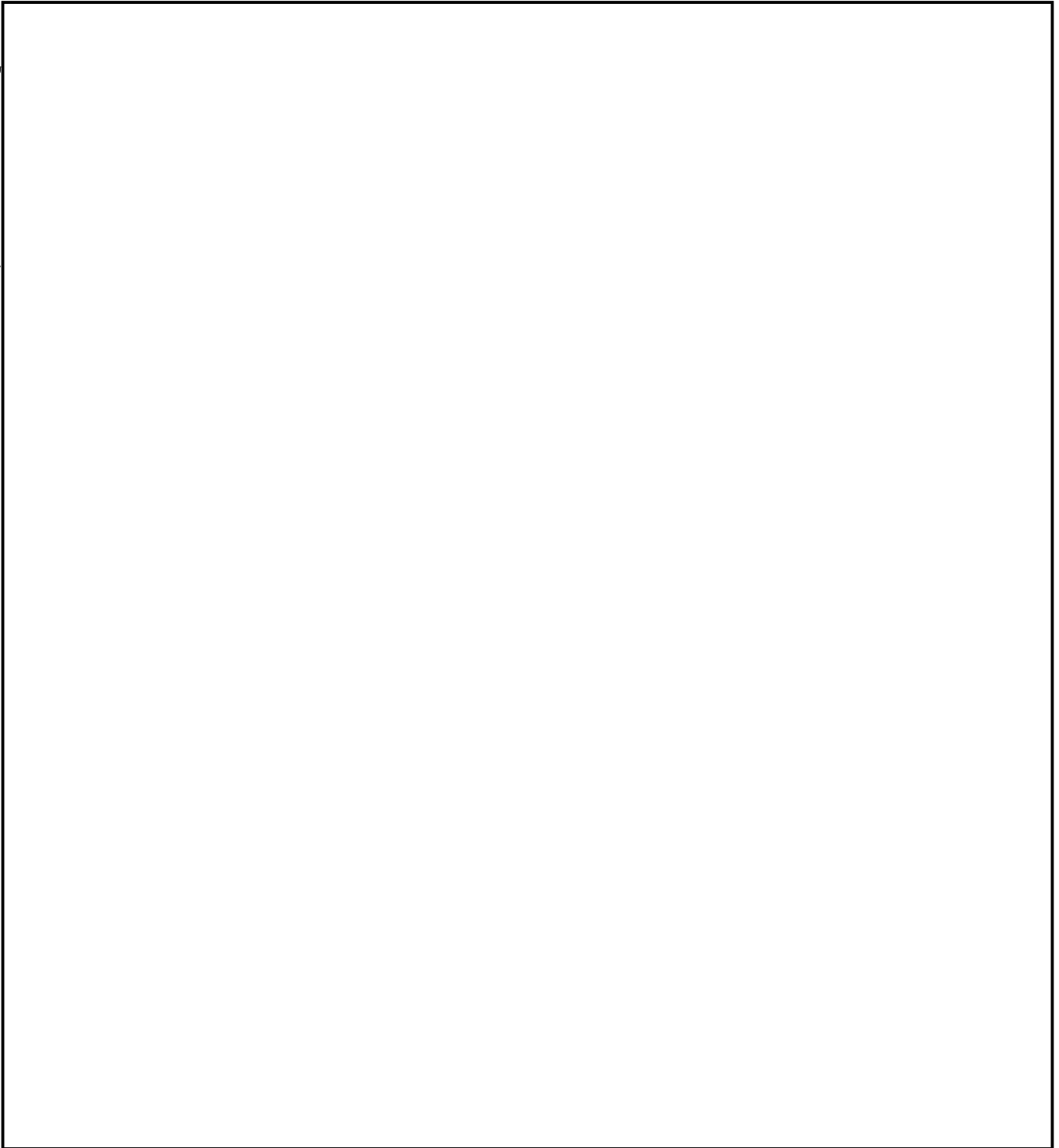
On February 24, 1958, SAs CLARK E. LOVRIEN and RICHARD C. THOMPSON, upon contacting [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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The Milwaukee Journal, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on February 13, 1958 carried an article entitled "Tax Bill is Paid by Ralph Capone," which was an AP item from Chicago, Illinois, reflecting that a check for \$446.00 had squared RALPH CAPONE with the Government for his income taxes for the period of 1922 through 1925. The Government promptly announced that it would act to collect from "RALPH," brother of the late gang chief, AL CAPONE, an additional \$120,000 in taxes for the years 1926 through 1928.

This article further reflected that the check presented to [redacted] Assistant U. S. Attorney, by CAPONE's lawyer, [redacted] represented the final payment of \$23,555.00 owed the Government on CAPONE's 1922 to 1925 taxes. The article stated that CAPONE, now a resident of Mercer, Wisconsin, was not present. The article continued that [redacted] said the Government would proceed with a suit filed against CAPONE in 1952 to collect taxes for the 1926 to 1928 period. b6 b7C

AT MADISON, WISCONSIN:

On February 28, 1958, [redacted] Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Department, Registration Division, was telephonically contacted by SA [redacted]. She advised that an alphabetical check of the files reflected that one R. J. CAPPER, Box 126, Mercer, Wisconsin, now has 1959 Wisconsin License A69973 registered to a 1955 Buick, two-door, and a 1959 Wisconsin License A69972 registered to a 1953 Pontiac Station Wagon. b6 b7C

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] advised SA [redacted] on March 5, 1958 that there is a summons and civil action outstanding for RALPH JAMES CAPONE which requires his appearance before the U. S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, within twenty days after service. This summons is dated June 7, 1957 and expires October 17, 1958 and can only be served on CAPONE in the Northern District of Illinois. The summons was originally filed on December 30, 1952. This civil action is an effort by the U. S. Government to collect taxes from CAPONE for the years 1926, 1927 and 1928 in the amount of \$87,217.35 plus 6% interest from date due. [redacted] advised the amount involved would be approximately \$160,000.00. He further stated this summons can only be served by the U. S. Marshal or a Special Agent of the Internal Revenue Service and the original of this summons is in possession of the Internal Revenue Service, Chicago.

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The Milwaukee Office was requested to immediately advise Chicago if there was any indication that RALPH JAMES CAPONE would be traveling to Chicago or anywhere in the Northern District of Illinois in order that the Internal Revenue Service might be so advised and the summons for CAPONE served.

#### B. CRIMINAL RECORD

No additional criminal record has been developed to date.

#### C. ASSOCIATES

AT MERCER, WISCONSIN:

[redacted] and [redacted] T-1, on February 12, 1958, further advised that he knows that in the past in the Milwaukee area. RALPH CAPONE has been friendly with the [redacted] and [redacted] Informant also stated that Subject is friendly with an [redacted] in the Milwaukee area. In regard to [redacted] informant said Subject allegedly had done a favor for [redacted] in the past, and that there isn't anything that [redacted] wouldn't do for CAPONE.

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AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN:

TONY ACCARDO and FRANK BALISTRIERI

T-3, of unknown reliability, on February 27, 1958 advised SA JOHN H.

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GASSAWAY that a TONY ACCARDO and RALPH CAPONE [redacted]

Informant stated CAPONE [redacted]

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[redacted] and [redacted]

On January 24, 1958, T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA RICHARD J. UPHOFF that she had no knowledge of RALPH CAPONE having registered at the Royal Hotel, Milwaukee, since residing there in October, 1955, and that to her knowledge CAPONE had not been at the Royal Hotel recently. Informant said that when CAPONE was in Milwaukee in October, 1955, he was allegedly associating with one [redacted] who was recently [redacted]

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She said that at the time of CAPONE's visit in 1955, [redacted] remarked that CAPONE had given him \$50 but did not say what the money was for and that it was possible [redacted] was merely bragging about receiving money from CAPONE.

T-4 further informed that back in 1955, CAPONE also associated with an [redacted] from Chicago, Illinois. WISC

The following investigation was conducted by SA CLIFFORD E. HUHTA:

AT MELLEN, WISCONSIN:

B. Approx 1920 - 1918

[redacted] Mellen Police Department, advised on February 27, 1958 that he has known [redacted]

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[redacted] He advised that he lived a short distance from the [redacted] on [redacted]

[redacted] He said [redacted] is deceased. [redacted] stated as he recalls.

[redacted] stated that [redacted]

[redacted] by the name of [redacted] and he was supposed to be from Chicago. He said they separated and he believes they had one son, who would be about twenty years of age now. He said [redacted] did some

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[redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] but she did no other work there that he can recall. He stated she has not been in Mellen (that is, living there) for about sixteen or seventeen years. He said she is about thirty-eight to forty years of age and was married to [redacted] when young. He said he saw [redacted] once or twice, but did not know him and he does not recall his first name.

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[redacted] stated [redacted] at Mellen, Wisconsin who works for the Penokee Veneer Company there. She also [redacted] of Mellen, Wisconsin.

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[redacted] said there was a great deal of friction between [redacted]

[redacted] He said on one occasion, according to information he received, [redacted] wife came to Mellen to the PEMPER Place to verify a telephone call between [redacted] also stated there has been speculation about the cause of [redacted] death, some saying at Mellen that he may have been poisoned.

[redacted] stated that RALPH CAPONE has been in Mellen, according to reports he has heard, but that he has not seen him there in person. He said [redacted]

[redacted] which may be CAPONE's car. He stated it is common knowledge that [redacted] and he stated he believes some of the people in Mellen visit [redacted] at Recap Lodge in Mercer, Wisconsin.

[redacted] stated also that [redacted] before he died, worked at lumber yards and sawmills, and belonged to the Greek Orthodox Church, although he was not Greek. He stated he has heard [redacted]

[redacted] but he stated as far as he knows, the [redacted] were and are loyal Americans and [redacted]

[redacted] He said that [redacted] is in her seventies.

[redacted] stated as he recalls, [redacted] was not in any trouble when in Mellen and that none of the family was ever in any difficulty there. He said, however, that people at Mellen are aware of [redacted] and he stated he believes many people discuss her when she comes to Mellen on visits as she comes dressed in fancy clothes, looking very prosperous.

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[redacted] described [redacted] as:

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AT ASHLAND, WISCONSIN:

[redacted] Register of Deeds, Ashland County, on February 28, 1958, made available birth records which reflected on Page 331, Volume 19 of Births, that [redacted] was born on

[redacted]

[redacted] It was filed December 6, 1920, Mellen, Wisconsin. The records reflect that there were three living children including [redacted]

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[redacted] advised after a search of marriage records that no record could be located of a marriage between [redacted] and a person known as [redacted]. He stated they were probably married somewhere outside of Ashland County.

AT EAGLE RIVER, WISCONSIN:

On February 27, 1958, the records of the Vilas County Register of Deeds, as made available to SA JOSEPH S. WALKER by [redacted]

[redacted] Register of Deeds, reflected [redacted] was the subject of a judgment and foreclosure action wherein [redacted] was the plaintiff and [redacted] was the principal defendant, and that this property was sold at a Sheriff's Sale on June 10, 1957 to [redacted] for \$30,000. The Sheriff's deed was recorded on July 3, 1957 in Volume 137 of Deeds, Page 340 in the Vilas County Register of Deeds Office.

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(FNU) [redacted]

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN:

On February 28, 1958, [redacted] North Central Airlines, advised SA [redacted] that there were twenty-five flights daily between Chicago and Milwaukee. [redacted] stated he would

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contact the North Central Airlines Chicago Office to determine if anyone using the name [ ] had booked passage for Milwaukee on February 28, 1958 and that he would also make a check on Saturday, March 1, 1958. [ ] subsequently advised on March 1, 1958 that no one using the name [ ] had booked passage from Chicago to Milwaukee on North Central Airlines on these two dates.

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#### D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

On February 7, 1958, SA [ ] was telephonically contacted by [ ] Assistant District Attorney, Milwaukee County. SA [ ] went to Room 419, Safety Building where [ ] advised he understood the FBI was interested in RALPH CAPONE. He stated he has always been interested in prosecuting an individual of CAPONE's notoriety. He said he had ascertained from Detective [ ] Vice Squad, Milwaukee Police Department, that CAPONE comes to town during the early part of each month and was possibly dealing in dope. He said that for some time, there have been rumors in the Sixth Ward in Milwaukee to the effect that the center of dope operations in Wisconsin was at Mercer, Wisconsin. He added that to date, they have been unable to verify the reliability of this information; however, he stated Detective [ ] on January 4, 1958, personally surveilled CAPONE from the Ambassador Hotel in Milwaukee to the Milwaukee Airport where CAPONE was observed taking a package from a locker, which package possibly might have contained dope.

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[ ] said that [ ] conducted this surveillance on his own time without the knowledge of the Milwaukee Police Department and had contacted him [ ] regarding possible future prosecution. [ ] stated he desired very much to work with the FBI in any way possible to prosecute CAPONE.

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#### E. LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

##### AT MADISON, WISCONSIN:

On February 24, 1958, [ ] Registration Division, Secretary of State's Office for the State of Wisconsin, advised SA ELDON J. MUELLER that he was unable to locate any record of the incorporation of a firm bearing the name RALPH CAPONE or R. J. CAPPER.

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##### AT HURLEY, WISCONSIN:

On March 6, 1958, [ ] Register of Deeds, Iron County,

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Wisconsin, made available to SA JOSEPH S. WALKER the indices to the grantor and grantee records for that county which also cover the area of Mercer, Wisconsin where Subject resides. These indices failed to reflect Subject's name or known aliases as having any interest or holding mortgages on any properties in Iron County, Wisconsin.

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AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA:

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]:

The records of the Las Vegas Police Department, as checked by [REDACTED] Clerk, on February 4, 1958, contain no information concerning Subject.

The records of the Clark County Sheriffs Office, as checked by [REDACTED] Clerk, on February 4, 1958, contain no information relative to Subject.

The records of the Nevada State Tax Commission and Gaming Control Board, as checked by [REDACTED] Commissioner, contain no information relative to any interest the Subject has or attempted to have in any gambling club or casino in Nevada.

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T-5, T-6, T-7, T-8, T-9, T-10, T-11, T-12 and T-13 stated they have no information relative to any interests Subject has or may have attempted to obtain in the Las Vegas area.

#### F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT AND HANGOUTS FREQUENTED

AT MERCER, WISCONSIN:

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T-1 advised on March 6, 1958 that [REDACTED]

T-1 further informed that Subject is a [REDACTED]

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#### G. TRAVEL

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On February 27, 1958, T-1 telephonically contacted SA JOSEPH S. WALKER and advised that [REDACTED]

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On February 28, 1958, SAs [redacted] and JOSEPH S. WALKER observed Subject travelling through Woodruff, Wisconsin at 11:30 AM. He was driving a 1955 Buick, two-door, medium blue with off-white top, bearing 1958 Wisconsin License A60073, and was accompanied by a woman, [redacted]. It was noted that Subject travelled on Highway 47 to Woodruff and proceeded toward Rhinelander, Wisconsin on Highway 47. At 2:56 PM, on 2/28/58, SA JAMES H. BREWSTER observed Subject was travelling southward in the same Buick, accompanied by a woman, at the intersection of U. S. Highway 41 and State Highway 26, which intersection is located about four miles south of Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN AND VICINITY:

On February 28, 1958, SAs [redacted] and RUSSELL D. JONES, [redacted] and [redacted] observed Subject driving south on Highway 41 near Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin at 4:05 PM, still travelling with a female companion in a 1955 Buick. Subject thereafter was observed to proceed to the Ambassador Hotel, Milwaukee, where he registered. He had dinner at Frenchy's Restaurant on E. North Avenue, Milwaukee, spent some time at the Vogue's Tavern, 1414 W. Wisconsin, and at this tavern Subject appeared to be acquainted with and talked to one [redacted] (LNU), possibly identical to [redacted] who was a friend of Subject, according to information previously received from the Milwaukee Police Department.

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At 10:30 AM, on March 1, 1958, Subject left the Ambassador Hotel alone and was observed by the same Bureau Agents proceeding south on U. S. Highway 41. At 11:25 AM, Subject stopped at the Timber Ridge Restaurant, located on Highway 41, about nine miles north of the Wisconsin-Illinois State Line. Subject spent about eight minutes at this restaurant and upon entering it, was observed carrying a small red plaid zipper bag and upon leaving the restaurant, placed this bag in the trunk of his car. After leaving the restaurant, he proceeded south on Highway 41 to Highway 42A, then to Highway 22, west on Highway 22 to Highway 45.

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS AND VICINITY:

SAs AUGUST C. KEMPF and [redacted] of the Chicago Office observed Subject driving the same 1955 Buick at the junction of

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U. S. Highways 45 and 12 and thereafter proceeding directly to Rosie's Restaurant, 3921 S. Harlem, Berwyn, Illinois where he entered same. At 1:44 PM, Subject left Rosie's and proceeded to a parking lot in a Forest Preserve near Maple and 41st Streets, Lyons, Illinois, arriving there at 1:50 PM. At 2:02 PM, CAPONE was contacted by a white male, driving a 1957 black Oldsmobile 98 hardtop, bearing 1958 Illinois License [redacted] At 3:28 PM, CAPONE left this parking lot, proceeded by the above-mentioned Oldsmobile. CAPONE proceeded to the Halacka Shell Service Station, 3401 Harlem Avenue, Berwyn, where he then proceeded to the Harlem Station of the Burlington Railroad, and at 3:49 PM, he met a woman subsequently identified as [redacted] who had arrived on a Burlington Railroad Commuter's Train from Chicago.

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CAPONE and [redacted] then proceeded to the vicinity of 26th and Des Plaines Streets, North Riverside, Illinois where they circled the same block three times and then proceeded back to Harlem Avenue where they parked at the Escape, Harlem Avenue at 29th Street, Berwyn, at 4:15 PM. CAPONE and [redacted] were subsequently observed at the bar of the Escape and then in the dining room.

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At 5:33 PM, CAPONE and [redacted] left the Escape and proceeded to the parking lot of Mangum's Chateau, 7850 Ogden Avenue, Lyons, Illinois where they made a U-turn in the parking lot and then proceeded to the Burlington Railroad Station, Riverside, Illinois.

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[redacted] boarded a Burlington suburban train proceeding toward Chicago at 5:58 PM. CAPONE proceeded to U. S. Highway 42A and headed north towards Milwaukee. The surveillance of CAPONE was dropped at 6:55 PM and the Milwaukee Office telephonically notified that CAPONE was proceeding toward Milwaukee.

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[redacted] arrived at the Union Station, Chicago, at 6:21 PM and at 6:46 PM, asked for change for a \$100 bill at a ticket window in the Union Station. [redacted] Ticket Agent, gave [redacted] change for a \$100 bill bearing SN G05183424A, Series 1950A. At 6:55 PM, [redacted] boarded a Chicago Transit Authority bus and subsequently entered her residence at [redacted]

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#### AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN AND VICINITY:

On March 2, 1958, Subject's automobile was again observed parked at the Ambassador Hotel Parking Lot.

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On March 3, 1958, Subject was observed as he made a contact at the Metropolitan Liquor Company, 233 N. Water Street. He had dinner at Fazio's Restaurant, N. Jackson Street, and was observed there talking with three men. Later, two of these men got into an automobile with Wisconsin License H79855, registered to JOSEPH GAGLIANO, 427 N. Broadway, Milwaukee, and the other man got into an automobile with Wisconsin License K82391, registered to Bay View Sheet Metal Company, 2499 S. Delaware, Milwaukee. Subject also dined at the Black Steer Restaurant, located at Highway 100 and Greenfield Avenue.

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On March 4, 1958, Subject made a contact at James Gagliano Fruit and Produce Company at 427 N. Broadway. On March 5, 1958, Subject and a female companion, believed to be identical to [REDACTED] left the Ambassador Hotel at 11:25 PM and proceeded in the same 1955 Buick north of Milwaukee on Highway 41. The woman who accompanied Subject to Milwaukee is described as white, female, forty years of age, 5'5", 135 pounds, dark brown hair with grey streaks in front.

#### AT MERCER, WISCONSIN AND VICINITY:

On March 6, 1958, RALPH CAPONE was observed by SAs JOHN T. MC CARRIER and JOSEPH S. WALKER entering his 1953 Pontiac Station Wagon, bearing Wisconsin 1959 License A69972, further described as a four-door, two-tone green with tail panels colored almost a sky-blue reflectory type of paint. Subject made a U-turn on U. S. Highway 51 in the City of Mercer and stopped at Bonnie and Joe's Tavern.

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T-1, on March 6, 1958, advised [REDACTED]

T-1 said [REDACTED]

#### H. PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES

No additional information has been developed to date.

#### I. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AND PHOTOGRAPHS

No additional physical description has been obtained. However, during Subject's trip to Milwaukee, Wisconsin on February 28, 1958

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to March 5, 1958, photographs were discreetly obtained of Subject and his companion, [REDACTED]

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The photographs of Subject are being retained in the case file for future reference and the photographs of the woman believed to be [REDACTED] after being identified by T-1, will also be retained in the case file for future reference.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

T-1, on February 12, 1958, informed SAs [REDACTED] and JOSEPH S. WALKER that [REDACTED]

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T-1 further advised that thereafter, on date not recalled, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

T-1 stated he now recalls that JOHN "MIMI" CAPONE was still visiting in the area of Mercer, Wisconsin, which was shortly after January 1, 1958, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

T-1 said that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

T-1 was recontacted on February 19, 1958 and on March 6, 1958

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and on these dates he advised that as yet, he had not been able to obtain any further information regarding this proposed gambling establishment.

On March 29, 1958, T-1 advised SA JOSEPH S. WALKER that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] On March 31, 1958, informant advised SA WALKER that [REDACTED]

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On April 1, 1958, a surveillance was set up in the vicinity of Woodruff, Wisconsin and Subject, at about 12:30 PM, was observed by SA JOSEPH S. WALKER driving south on U. S. Highway 51 in his 1955 Buick accompanied by [REDACTED] SA WALKER dropped the surveillance. A surveillance was instituted on Highway 41 north of Milwaukee by SAs [REDACTED] RUSSELL D. JONES. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and at 5:20 PM, Subject was observed at Country Dale Road driving south on Highway 41. Subject proceeded to the Ambassador Hotel where he registered and stayed for the night.

On April 2, 1958, Subject was under surveillance by the same agents and at 10:45 AM, Subject left the Ambassador Hotel and proceeded south on Highway 41 toward Chicago. At 1:00 PM, Subject was turned over to Chicago agents at the intersection of Highways 42A and 58.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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T-1 - [ ] who was contacted 2/12/58 by SAs [ ] and JOSEPH S. WALKER; on 3/6/58 by SAs JOHN T. MC CARRIER and JOSEPH S. WALKER; on 3/29/58 and 3/31/58 by SA JOSEPH S. WALKER.

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T-2 - [ ] State of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, Wisconsin who was contacted by SA THOMAS J. GRAHAM 3/6/58.

T-3 - [ ] PCI of Milwaukee Office, and [ ] who was contacted 2/27/58 by SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY.

T-4 - [ ] - contacted by SA [ ] 1/24/58.

T-5 - [ ] - contacted by SA [ ] 2/4/58.

T-6 - [ ] - " " " " " " 2/3/58.

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T-7 - [ ] contacted by SA [ ] 1/30/58.

T-8 - [ ] contacted by SA BRYON C. WHEELER 2/4/58.

T-9 - [ ] contacted by SA [ ] 2/4/58.

T-10 - [ ] contacted by SA LEO E. KUYKENDALL 1/27/58.

T-11 - [ ] PCI, [ ] contacted by SA [ ] - 1/30/58.

T-12 - [ ] PCI - [ ] - contacted by SA [ ] - 2/4/58.

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T-13 - [ ] PCI, [ ] - contacted by SA [ ] - 2/5/58.

T-14 - [ ]

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CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE

The Criminal Informants and Potential Criminal Informants utilized in the Milwaukee Division are as follows:

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PCI [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
and [REDACTED]

and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Milwaukee is using extreme caution in attempting to develop further informants in this area as the Milwaukee Office has excellent coverage through [REDACTED]

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Further informant coverage is contemplated through attempted development of informants in Milwaukee, Wisconsin at places where Subject is known to frequent.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - - - - - U. S. GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3001)  
FROM *Jey* SAC, MILWAUKEE (94-319)  
SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE was.  
AR

DATE: APR 15 1958

Enclosed are two copies of the report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, Milwaukee, dated and captioned as above.

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REFERENCES

Report SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, Milwaukee, 1/14/58.  
Report SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, Milwaukee, 2/6/58.  
Salt Lake City airtel to Milwaukee 2/6/58.  
Milwaukee letter to Director 2/20/58.  
Chicago airtel to Director 3/3/58.  
Chicago airtel to Milwaukee 3/10/58.

LEADS

CHICAGO: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS:

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1. Will ascertain identity of man driving 1957 black Oldsmobile bearing 1958 License (Ill.) [redacted] who contacted Subject at Lyons, Ill. 3/1/58 and determine extent of this association.

2. Will attempt to determine relationship between [redacted] and Subject.

3. Will ascertain through appropriate informants or any other sources available to that office present and past relationship between TONY ACCARDO, a top hoodlum of the Chicago Division, and Subject. *2*

AT BERWYN, ILLINOIS:

Will determine Subject's connection and activities as they concern Rosie's Restaurant, 3123 N. Harlem Street, Berwyn, as he was noted to stop at this place 3/1/58.

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4 - Chicago (92-442) (Encs.-4)  
2 - Detroit (92-288) (Encs.-2)  
4 - Milwaukee (94-319)

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AT BROOKFIELD, ILLINOIS:

Will ascertain Subject's interest in the Suburban Cigarette Company in that city.

DETROIT: AT IRONWOOD, MICHIGAN:

1. Will determine whether Subject, under his true name or aliases, has any bank accounts in Ironwood banks. If so, will through them attempt to determine his activities.

2. Will determine whether [ ] has any bank accounts that city which might possibly be maintained for Subject.

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MILWAUKEE: AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN:

1. Will determine relationship allegedly existing between [ ] and Subject.

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2. Will ascertain through appropriate informants and any other method where information can be discreetly obtained the association between Subject and the [ ] and JOSEPH GAGILIANO.

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3. Will determine identity of third man with whom Subject observed talking at [ ] and who got into an automobile bearing Wisconsin License K82391 registered to the Bay View Sheet Metal Company, 2499 S. Delaware Street, Milwaukee.

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4. Will determine through appropriate sources whether Subject has any interest in Black Steer Restaurant, Highway 100 and Greenfield Avenue, inasmuch as [ ] allegedly is employed there.

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5. Will consider cautiously attempting to develop informants at Ambassador Hotel where Subject known to frequent for background information on him.

6. Will through appropriate confidential sources obtain a list of [ ] during past three months.

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7. Will recontact T-3 for more specific information concerning [ ]

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AT HURLEY AND MERCER, WISCONSIN:

1. Will maintain contacts with appropriate informants for information regarding Subject and continue to establish fisur of Subject when he leaves area of Mercer.
2. Will determine whether Subject has any bank account in local bank at Hurley.
3. Will ascertain what exchange the Yukon Inn is located on, its number and thereafter through appropriate sources attempt to obtain a record of toll calls which might have been placed by Subject.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

SAC, Chicago (92-442)

April 18, 1958

Director, FBI (92-3001)

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**RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING**

(OO - Milwaukee)

Re Chicago let dated April 9, 1958, to the Director, copy to Milwaukee, wherein it is advised that leads in instant case set out by letter from Milwaukee dated February 20, 1958, do not appear feasible for Chicago to cover.

A review of the leads set out in letter from Milwaukee dated February 20, 1958, appear to request necessary investigation essential to the complete investigation of the subject. While some of the leads referred to information in connection with the subject's background, several would be concerned with the current information relating to Capone as follows:

1. Would appear that lead No. 1 is necessary to enable office of origin to obtain information on current criminal associates whether or not he has any present connection with the criminal element in Chicago. It would appear from material set forth in this lead that Chicago Office has considerable information regarding the associates of Capone. It was further noted that Murray Humphreys and Tony Accardo are currently being investigated by the Chicago Office as top hoodlums. It is possible that the investigation of these two individuals will result in obtaining considerable information regarding Capone.

2. The lead to ascertain the whereabouts of Capone's wife and appropriate divorce records appear necessary not only from a current intelligence standpoint of view but also on the basis that the wife now divorced could become a potential source of information regarding Capone.

3. The identity of the individual named [redacted] who is meeting Capone in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on a current basis and giving the subject \$1,000 and up would seem to be of vital importance in the investigation of Capone.

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Letter to Chicago  
Re: Ralph James Capone, was.

4. The lead to determine Capone's present political or police connections in the Chicago area is essential to the investigation of the current activities of Capone.

5. Lead No. 5 would in all probability be covered in connection with your investigative activities relating to Lead No. 4.

6. Lead to obtain the present photograph of Capone through the U.S. Marshal's Office in Chicago would appear to be essential as the obtaining of such photograph is required by Bureau instructions.

7. Lead No. 7 relates to the current associates of subject in Chicago and certainly is needed by Milwaukee for a complete investigation of the subject.

8. Lead No. 8, involving the bank accounts and sources of income of the subject, for considering material as to the current activities of Capone and the review of such records could possibly bring to light information concerning delinquencies on the part of Capone with respect to Internal Revenue.

9. This lead requests a review of the U.S. Internal Revenue records and would appear to be of considerable importance to this investigation inasmuch as Internal Revenue authorities have had an interest in Capone for many years and have only recently been successful in serving him with a subpoena in connection with his obligations to the U.S. Government for back taxes.

10. Lead No. 10 relates to any interest the subject may have in the Havannah Beverage Company in Chicago. Such lead would appear necessary in order to establish the present or past legitimate interests of Capone.

The information set forth in referenced letter does not submit to the office of origin any basis for re-evaluation of the leads set forth. It is noted that the leads referred to were submitted to Chicago by letter dated February 20, 1958.

Letter to Chicago

Re: Ralph James Capone, was.

It would appear from the leads as discussed above that no attempt was made by Chicago to specifically evaluate the necessity of the individual leads.

In future instances, where Chicago is of the opinion that leads in the top hoodlum cases set forth by other offices should not be covered, Chicago should evaluate the leads and specifically set forth the reason why such lead is not being covered.

SAC, Milwaukee (94-319)

May 2, 1958

Director, FBI (92-3001)

**RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING**

Re report of SA Joseph S. Walker dated  
4-15-58 at Milwaukee.

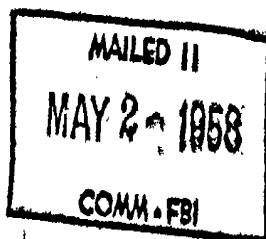
Under Criminal Activities in captioned  
report, it is noted that [redacted] Assistant  
District Attorney, of Milwaukee County, furnished  
information which might lead to a Narcotics violation  
by subject. If further investigation discloses  
information in this regard, it is suggested that  
consideration be given to contacting the Narcotics  
Bureau field office to furnish them pertinent facts.

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Reporting Office <b>DETROIT</b>	Office of Origin <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Date <b>5/22/58</b>	Investigative Period <b>5/14/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.</b>		Report made by <b>SA(A)</b>	b6 b7C Typed By: <b>maf</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

**Synopsis:**

Information developed at Ironwood, Mich., on 5/14/58 that neither [redacted] nor the Subject, under his true name or known aliases, [redacted] CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES. b6 b7C

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**DETAILS:**

At Ironwood, Michigan:

On May 14, 1958, Informant Detroit T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated that neither [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

Approved <i>[Signature]</i>	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below		
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On May 14, 1958, Informant Detroit T-2,  
who has furnished reliable information in the past, stated

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CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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INFORMANTS

T-1 is [redacted]  
[redacted] who furnished this information to SA(A) [redacted] on May 14, 1958. [redacted]  
[redacted] requested that his identity be kept confidential.

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T-2 is [redacted]  
[redacted] who furnished this information to SA(A) [redacted] on May 14, 1958. [redacted] requested  
that his identity be kept confidential.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

May 7, 1958

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

SAC, MILWAUKEE

RALPH JAMES CAPONE was.  
ANTI RACKETEERING  
Bufile 92-3001  
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5/7/58

Informant Coverage Since 2-1-58

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Although this criminal informant was developed prior to February 1, 1958, he has been furnishing information since February 1, 1958 regarding captioned subject.

Information Developed Since the  
Above Additional Informant Coverage

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to date has furnished some background information on Subject,

Future Plans for Increasing  
Informant Coverage

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Milwaukee is not at present attempting to develop further informant coverage in this area, as the Milwaukee Office has excellent coverage of Subject when he is in the Northern Wisconsin area through Additional attempts at this time to develop further informant coverage of Subject might result in embarrassment to It is to be further noted that the area of Mercer, Wisconsin is located in Iron County, Wisconsin, in which county the Milwaukee Office

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has two criminal informants and five potential criminal informants at the present time. Although these individuals with the exception of [ ] have not been furnished information regarding Capone, it is quite possible that [ ] is in a position to be contacted for information regarding Subject should Subject carry on any illegal activities [ ]. However, to avoid the possibility that further attempts to develop informant coverage of Subject in the area might jeopardize the present informant coverage, Milwaukee will not use these sources concerning this subject unless it becomes apparent that [ ] is unable to provide information regarding Subject's activities.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3001)

DATE: May 22, 1958

FROM : SAC, DETROIT (92-288)

SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Reference report of SA(A) [REDACTED]  
Detroit, dated and captioned as above, which is enclosed.

REFERENCES

Milwaukee letter to Director dated April 15, 1958.

Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, Milwaukee,  
dated April 15, 1958.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND  
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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	DATE <b>JUN 18 1958</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>3/14, 19, 29, 31/58; 4/28/58; 5/7, 13, 27, 28/58; 6/5/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA JOSEPH S. WALKER</b>	TYPED BY <b>rhk</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

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**SYNOPSIS:**

**RALPH JAMES CAPONE, FBI #145581, continues to reside Mercer, Wis.,**  
**Subject has no accounts in banks Minocqua**  
**and Rhinelander, Wis., under true name or known aliases. T-1 advised**  
**(true name**  
**T-1 stated**  
**T-1**  
**T-1 does not know**  
**T-1 further advised**  
**or**  
**(first name not definitely recalled)**  
**Chicago, Illinois.**

APPROVED <i>R W F</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW
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		<i>see 4-60</i> <i>EX-100</i>

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[redacted] Descriptions set forth. [redacted]

T-1 states [redacted]

According to

T-1, [redacted]

T-1 stated that RALPH CAPONE [redacted]

[redacted] Investigation Miami, Florida, reflects RALPH CAPONE not known to have visited the area for several years. Investigation New York reflects [redacted] was admitted to Public School #14, 6/28/01, and address was listed as [redacted] father's name, GABRIEL. Records Supreme Court, Kings Co., N.Y., reflect GABRIEL CAPONE naturalized 5/25/06; do not reflect the name of any children claiming derivative citizenship at time of this naturalization. No record located regarding [redacted] New York. RALPH CAPONE sold interest at Waukesha Waters, Waukesha, Wis., several years ago. T-2 advised [redacted]

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[redacted] that CAPONE's "outfit" in Chicago has never really been broken up and he is still collecting money from illegal activities that city; also that TONY ACCARDO, known as JOE BATTERS in the Milwaukee area, always has a "low bracket" Illinois license number, which is the same each year, believed to be #16 or #19, and that ACCARDO definitely has an interest in BALISTRIERI's boxing promotions. T-3 advised [redacted]

[redacted], and added there is no known connection between Subject CAPONE and [redacted] FRANK BALISTRIERI, [redacted] or JOSEPH GAGLIANO, all of Milwaukee. T-3 unable to advise relationship existing between Subject and [redacted] Bay View Sheet Metal Company. Mil-Milw. Police Dept. captain states JOSEPH GAGLIANO was introduced to RALPH CAPONE by [redacted] in 3/58, that GAGLIANO wants nothing to do with CAPONE as he does not want to be in a position to pay tribute to CAPONE or any of his mobsters for the privilege of operating his trucks or staying in business.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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DETAILS: The following investigation, unless otherwise stated, was conducted by SA JOSEPH S. WALKER.

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A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

At Mercer, Wisconsin

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on March 29, 1958, advised [REDACTED] b7D

T-1 on March 29, 1958 advised that [REDACTED]

On March 29, 1958, T-1 also stated [REDACTED]

T-1 on April 23, 1958 stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] T-1 stated on May 27, 1958, [REDACTED]



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At New York City, New York

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A review of indices, New York Office, reflects no reference to [REDACTED] other than references in connection with RALPH CAPONE. There was no indication of her residing in the New York area. The telephone directories for the five boroughs of New York City reflect no listing for either [REDACTED]. The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York as furnished to SA PAUL F. ROWLANDS by [REDACTED] on March 5, 1958, reflect no reference to [REDACTED].

On March 18, 1958, [REDACTED] teacher-clerk, Public School 67, 150 Edwards Street, Brooklyn, New York, made available to SA J. L. MARTIN records of former Public School 14, which are now maintained at Public School 67. The admission book was the only record available at the present time. This book reflects that RAPHAEL CAPONI was admitted to Public School 14 on June 28, 1901. At the time of his admission, his age was reflected as eight years and five months. His address was listed as 69 Park, and his father as GABRIEL. This record further reflected that he left school in 1906 to go to work.

On March 18, 1958, SA WILLIAM D. MEEHAN caused a check to be made of naturalization records for the Southern District of New York, for the years 1897 through 1917 in an attempt to locate a naturalization record for GABRIEL CAPONE with negative results.

On April 2, 1958 SA J. L. MARTIN caused a check to be made of the records of the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, New York, in an effort to locate the naturalization record of GABRIEL CAPONE. These records reflect that GABRIEL CAPONE was naturalized in Supreme Court, Kings County, New York, on May 25, 1906. These records do not reflect the name of any children claiming derivative citizenship from their father and reflects only the name GABRIEL CAPONE and the time of naturalization.

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On April 7, 1958, SA J. L. MARTIN made a check of the divorce records at the County Clerk's Office, New York County, in an effort to locate the record of divorce of RALPH CAPONE and [REDACTED] with negative results.

On April 9, 1958 SA J. L. MARTIN checked divorce records for Kings County, New York, with negative results.

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B. CRIMINAL RECORD

At Miami, and Miami Beach, Florida

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On March 20, 1958, SA [ ] checked the records of the Miami and Miami Beach Police Departments, Dade County Sheriff's Office, Miami Municipal Court, and Miami Retail Credit Bureau and was unable to find any reference to RALPH JAMES CAPONE under his true name and known aliases except for a notation in the files of the Miami Police Department that RALPH JAMES CAPONE had been released from a United States Penitentiary, McNeil Island, McNeil, Washington, on February 27, 1934.

At Springfield, Illinois

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On May 5, 1958, [ ] State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, Centennial Building, advised SA EDWARD A. CARPENTER that RALPH CAPONE is the brother of AL CAPONE, notorious Chicago hoodlum. According to his files, the only record of RALPH relates to an arrest notification received from the Chicago, Illinois Police Department on June 1, 1940, under number D-4856. No other information is contained in the files of the State Bureau concerning CAPONE.

C. ASSOCIATES AND RELATIVES

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[ ] WISC.  
T-1 advised on March 29, 1958, that since last contacted by a Bureau Agent, [ ]

T-1 said that [ ]

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On April 23, 1958, T-1 stated that he noticed in the newspapers that RALPH CAPONE had been served with a summons by the United States Internal Revenue Service in Chicago, Illinois. [ ]

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T-1 stated [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] T-1  
also stated that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WISC.

On April 23, 1958, T-1 stated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] T-1 added that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] T-1  
advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ILL., WISC.

T-1, on April 23, 1958, advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] T-1 said he  
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WISC, FLA.

T-1 when contacted on April 23, 1958 stated that [REDACTED]

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T-1 on May 27, 1958, informed [REDACTED]

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T-1 on April 23, 1958, stated that [REDACTED]

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In regard to [REDACTED] and her association with RALPH CAPONE,  
T-1 stated on May 27, 1958, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Deputy United States Marshal, Western District of  
Wisconsin, from Superior, Wisconsin, on June 5, 1958, advised

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SA JOSEPH S. WALKER that he has heard [redacted]

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At Milwaukee, Wisconsin [redacted]

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On May 13, 1958, T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA JAMES E. MC ARDLE [redacted]

However, according to T-3 [redacted]

T-3 added, however, [redacted]

T-3 advised he has not met RALPH CAPONE to date.

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and [redacted]

WISC,

T-3 on May 13, 1958, advised that to the best of his knowledge, there is no connection between CAPONE and [redacted] and between CAPONE and FRANK BALISTRIERI.

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T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on May 7, 1958, advised SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY that [redacted]

TONY ACCARDO

WISC, TLL.

T-2 informed SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY that TONY ACCARDO, who is known in Milwaukee as JOE BATTERS, always has a low Illinois license number and the same number each year. He believes it is #16 or #19. T-2 stated that he has seen ACCARDO [redacted] and advised that TONY ACCARDO definitely has an interest in BALISTRIERI's boxing promotions. T-2 furnished this information on May 7, 1958.

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UNKNOWN RETIRED POLICEMEN

T-1 stated on May 27, 1958, that [redacted] also known as [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

T-1,

T-1 said on May 27, 1958, [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

T-1 said

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continued [redacted]  
[redacted]

JOHN ERMINIO ~~CAPONE~~, with aliases, Mimi ~~Capone~~ and John ~~Martin~~  
At Mercer, Wisconsin WISC.

T-1 on April 23, 1958, stated [redacted]  
[redacted]

At Miami and Miami Beach, Florida

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

During the investigation of JOHN ERMINIO CAPONE, frequent surveillances have been continued during February and March, 1958. of [redacted]  
[redacted]

Surveillances and spot checks have also been made during that period at 8941 Northeast 10th Avenue, Miami Shores, which is the residence of ALBERT FRANCIS CAPONE, alias SONNY CAPONE, and at the Grotto Restaurant, 6970 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, which is operated by SONNY CAPONE. During these surveillances, nothing has been seen of RALPH JAMES CAPONE, nor has anything been seen of either of the two automobiles with Wisconsin license plates

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that are described in the report of reference as automobiles frequently used by RALPH JAMES CAPONE. Miami advised, it should be noted, that SONNY CAPONE is the son of the late AL CAPONE, and a nephew of Subject RALPH JAMES CAPONE.

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T-1 stated on May 27, 1958. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and JOSEPH GAGLIANO

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T-3 on May 13, 1958, advised SA JAMES E. MC ARDLE that to the best of his knowledge, there is no connection between CAPONE and [REDACTED] and JOSEPH GAGLIANO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Milwaukee Police Department, on May 7, 1958, advised SA JAMES E. MC ARDLE that he had talked to JOSEPH GAGLIANO, the fruit dealer, 427 North Broadway, and had ascertained from him, introduced to RALPH CAPONE by [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] that he, GAGLIANO, [REDACTED] but that he, GAGLIANO, wanted nothing to do with CAPONE because he had several fruit trucks on the streets in Milwaukee and highways surrounding the city and did not want to be in a position of having to pay tribute to CAPONE or any of his "mobsters" for the privilege of operating his trucks or staying in business.

At Hurley, Wisconsin

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[REDACTED] District Attorney, Iron County, on May 28, 1958, informed that in the past he has taken guests to dinner at the El Capitan; however, people are becoming reluctant to patronize the El Capitan, inasmuch as RALPH CAPONE frequents the place regularly. He said within the past few weeks, hearsay has been to the effect

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that RALPH CAPONE and [REDACTED]  
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JOE or RALPH/DE MARCO ILL., WISC.

T-1 on May 27, 1958, said Subject [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] T-1 described this person as [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WISC.  
It is to be noted that within the past week, [REDACTED] Deputy  
U. S. Marshal at Superior, Wisconsin, informed SA CLIFFORD E.  
HUHTA that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

In this regard, T-1 advised on May 27, 1958, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] T-1 said [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

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No additional information to report.



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E. LEGITIMATE AND ILLEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

At Miami, and Miami Beach, Florida

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On March 19, 1958, DANIEL P. SULLIVAN, Director, Crime Commission of Greater Miami, advised SA [redacted] that he had received no information indicating that RALPH JAMES CAPONE had any legitimate or illegitimate business interests in the Miami area, nor had he heard of his visiting the Miami area subsequent to the death of AL CAPONE some ten years ago.

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T-1 stated on March 29, 1958, [redacted]  
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T-1 on April 23, 1958, stated [redacted]  
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At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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T-2 on May 7, 1958, informed SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY that as far as he knows, [redacted]  
and [redacted]  
[redacted]

At Rhinelander, Wisconsin

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[redacted] Oneida County Sheriff's  
Office, [redacted]

[redacted] on May 7, 1958, advised that he covers the territory north of Rhinelander, including the areas of Mercer and Hurley, Wisconsin. He said that during

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the short time he has had this route, he has not become aware that RALPH CAPONE actually owns and makes purchases for any taverns in the area he covers. [redacted] stated that he will be alert to determine whether CAPONE has any interest in any taverns buying liquor from the Lakeland Liquor Company and would advise SA JOSEPH S. WALKER. b6 b7C

[redacted] Rhinelander, Wisconsin Police Department on April 4, 1958, advised that until recently [redacted] b6 b7C

On April 28, 1958, [redacted] stated that RALPH CAPONE definitely does not have any accounts with the two Rhinelander, Wisconsin banks, under his true name or known aliases. b6 b7C

On May 27, 1958, T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, and who requested that his identity remain confidential, advised that [redacted] b7D

At Hurley, Wisconsin

District Attorney GEORGE SULLIVAN, Iron County, on May 28, 1958, informed that he is of the opinion that RALPH CAPONE [redacted] b6 b7C

[redacted] He further informed that he feels, although it possibly could not be proven, that in addition, RALPH owns Bonnie and Joe's, which is supposedly [redacted] said that although it appears that [redacted] it is common knowledge [redacted]

[redacted] He stated that if someone talked to [redacted]

At Waukesha, Wisconsin

[redacted] Waukesha Police Department, upon interview on March 14, 1958, advised SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY that according to in-

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formation he has received, RALPH CAPONE no longer has any interest in Waukesha Waters, but sold his interest years ago. He stated also that it was rumored several years ago that CAPONE had an interest in the "Moor Mud Baths", but he was not able to prove this, particularly since the owners of this establishment are from Chicago, and it is difficult for him to obtain any information concerning them.

Upon reinterview on March 31, 1958, Captain [ ] advised SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY that through confidential sources known to him, he had obtained the information that RALPH CAPONE sold out his interest in the Waukesha Waters several years ago.

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F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT AND HANGOUTS FREQUENTED

It is to be noted that in other sections of this report, it is shown that RALPH CAPONE and [ ]

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G. TRAVEL

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At Mercer, Wisconsin

T-1 on March 29, 1958, stated that on the day of the ROBINSON-BASILIO fight, CAPONE, [ ] and [ ]

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[ ] travelled to Minneapolis, Minnesota, [ ]

[ ] T-1 stated that [ ] but CAPONE and [ ]

T-1 also stated [ ]

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On March 29, 1958, T-1 further stated [ ]

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At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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T-2 on May 7, 1958, advised SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY that RALPH CAPONE, as far as he knows, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

At Miami, and Miami Beach, Florida

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

On February 27, 1958, and March 13, 1958 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Bel Aire Hotel, 6515 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, advised that JOHN ERMINIO CAPONE, brother of RALPH JAMES CAPONE, had resided at the Bel Aire Hotel for approximately two years prior to December 21, 1957, when he left to go to Chicago, Illinois, for the holidays. [REDACTED] stated that while he was not personally acquainted with RALPH JAMES CAPONE, he did know many friends and associates of JOHN ERMINIO CAPONE, and he knew RALPH JAMES CAPONE by reputation. [REDACTED] stated that he had never heard of RALPH CAPONE visiting JOHN ERMINIO CAPONE in the Miami Beach area, and he felt that had he been here for any extended period of time, he, [REDACTED] would have heard about it. b6 b7C

On March 19, 1958, [REDACTED] NA, and [REDACTED] NA, Miami Beach Police Department, advised that they both knew RALPH JAMES CAPONE on sight inasmuch as prior to the death of AL CAPONE, about ten years ago, he used to visit AL CAPONE and his family at 93 Palm Avenue, Palm Island, Miami Beach, Florida. They both stated that they had not heard of RALPH JAMES CAPONE being in the Miami Beach area since the death of AL CAPONE. b6 b7C

On February 27, 1958, T-5 and T-6, both of whom have furnished reliable information in the past, advised that they had not heard of RALPH JAMES CAPONE being in the Miami area for many years.

At Mercer, Wisconsin

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T-1 on May 27, 1958, stated [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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T-1 also added [REDACTED]

H. PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES

No additional information to report.

I. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AND PHOTOGRAPHS

No additional information to report.

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GAMBLING ESTABLISHMENT NEAR WASHINGTON, D. C.

T-1, on April 23, 1958, advised that [REDACTED]

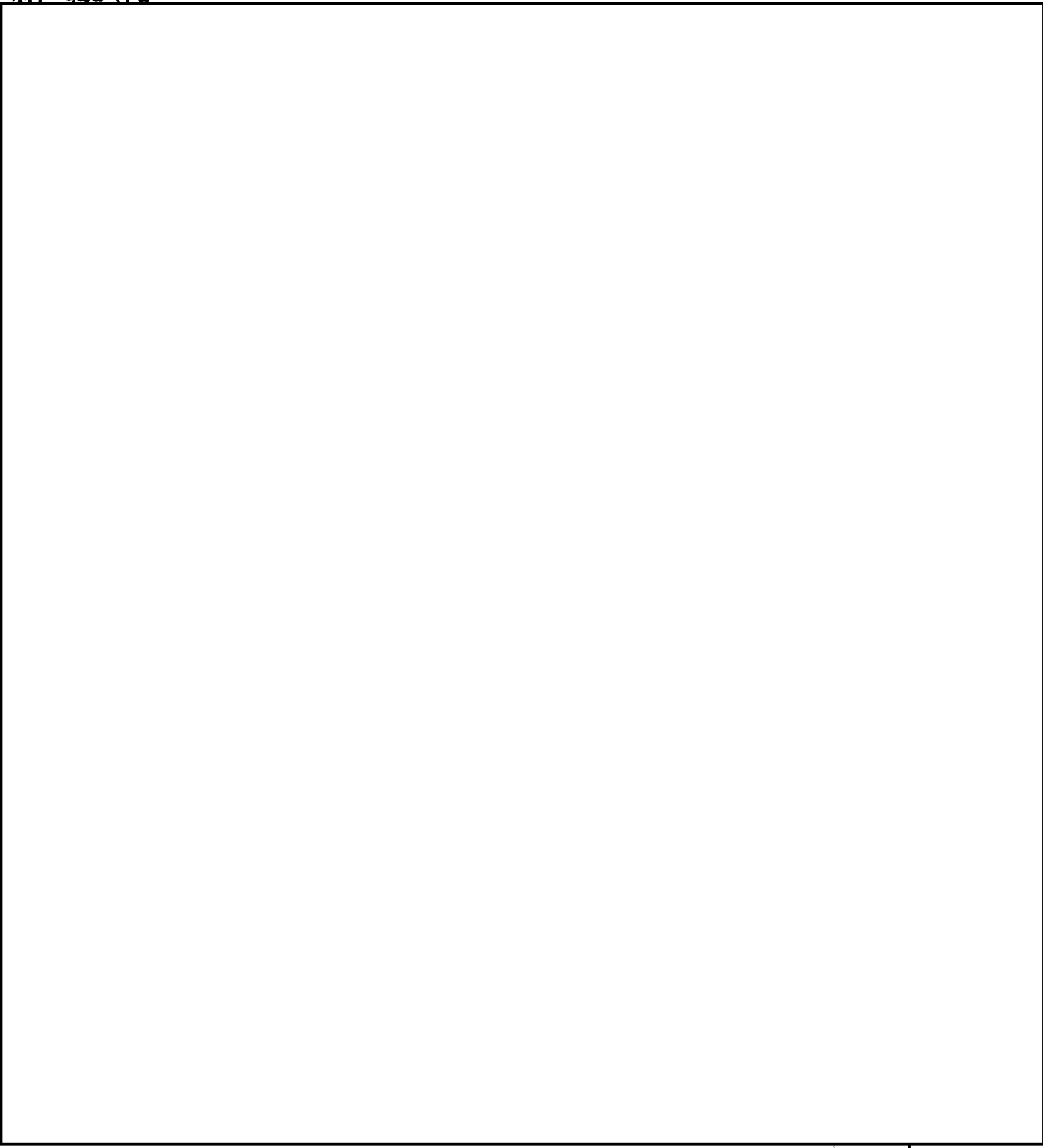
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T-1 stated on May 27 1958 that

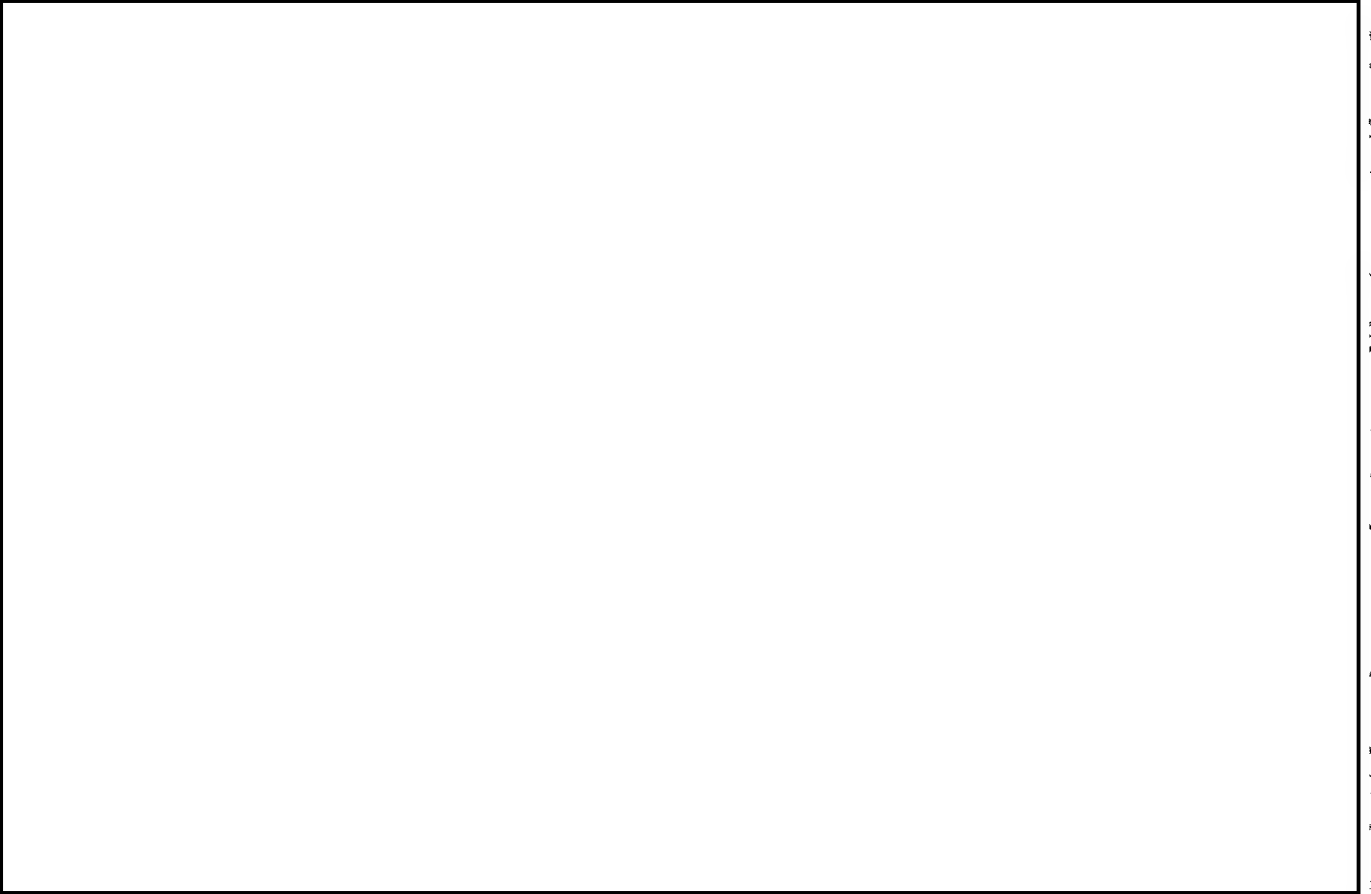
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CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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T-1 is [ ] who was contacted on March 29, 1958, by SAS JOHN T. MC CARRIER and JOSEPH S. WALKER; again contacted on April 23, 1958, by SAS JOHN T. MC CARRIER and JOSEPH S. WALKER and again contacted on May 27, 1958, by SAS CLIFFORD E. HUHTA and JOSEPH S. WALKER.

T-2 is [ ] a PCI of the Milwaukee Office. [ ] on May 7, 1958 by SA JOHN H. GASSAWAY.

T-3 is [ ] a PCI of the Milwaukee Office who was con- b6  
tacted on May 13, 1958, by SA JAMES E. MC ARDLE. b7C b7D

T-4 is [ ] who has furnished reliable information to SA JOSEPH S. WALKER in the past, and who was contacted by SA JOSEPH S. WALKER in this case on May 27, 1958, at which time he requested that his identity remain confidential.

T-5 is [ ] whose identity is known to the Miami Office.

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T-6 is [ ] whose identity is known to the Miami Office.

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CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE

The Criminal Informant Coverage and Potential Criminal Informants utilized in the Milwaukee Division are as follows:

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Further development of Informant Coverage will continue in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at places Subject is known to frequent.

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3001)  
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (94-319)  
SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
AR.

JUN 18 1958

Enclosed are two copies of the report of SA JOESPH S. WALKER, dated and captioned as above at Milwaukee.

REFERENCES

Miami letter to Milwaukee, 3/31/58.  
Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, Milwaukee, 4/15/58.  
New York letter to Milwaukee, 4/17/58.  
Springfield letter to Milwaukee, 5/14/58.

LEADSCHICAGO OFFICE:At Chicago, Illinois

1. Will report the results of the surveillance of Subject in the Chicago Division on April 2, 1958, which surveillance was set up and initiated in the Milwaukee Division.
2. Will continue to develop information as to Subject's associates in that city.
3. Will ascertain RALPH CAPONE's legal address inasmuch as a previous report reflected that he claims that his legal residence is in the State of Illinois.
4. Will report the results of the Civil Action by the United States Internal Revenue, as the result of their service of civil process on CAPONE in Chicago, Illinois, on 4/2/58.

2 - Bureau (92-3001) (Enclosures 2)  
3 - Chicago (92-442) (Enclosures 3)  
2 - Detroit (92-288) (Info) (Enclosures 2)  
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DETROIT: (INFO):

Copies of this report are being submitted to Detroit for information because of the general operations of Subject in the past in the State of Michigan and in light of investigation previously requested.

MILWAUKEE DIVISION:

At Mercer, Wisconsin

Will maintain contact with informant for current information regarding CAPONE's travels, associates and activities which might be illegal.

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

1. Will contact JOSEPH GAGLIANO, Fruit Dealer, 427 N. Broadway, regarding his statement to [redacted] Milwaukee Police Department, that he wants nothing to do with CAPONE because he did not ever want to be in a position of having to pay tribute to CAPONE or any of his mobsters for the privilege of operating trucks or staying in business. b6 b7C

2. Will recontact PCI [redacted] for information he may develop regarding CAPONE's relationship with [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Reporting Office <b>CHICAGO</b>	Office of Origin <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Date <b>7/9/58</b>	Investigative Period <b>4/2,25; 5/1,2,5,7,9,12,15; 6/2,4,12,13,23/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>CHANGED RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was., Raffaele J. Capone</b>		Report made by <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 150px;"></div>	Typed By: <b>ntb</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

Synopsis:

Subject's father, GABRIEL CAPONE, naturalized 5/25/06 in County Court, Kings County, Brooklyn, N. Y. Bureau of Vital Statistics, Chicago, reflects that RAFFAELE J. CAPONE and Mrs. VELMA VERHULST were married 5/10/28, Cicero, Illinois. This was the second marriage for CAPONE. Records Circuit Court of Cook County in Chancery reflect that RALPH J. CAPONE and VILMA CAPONE were granted a divorce on 5/13/38. Records, Superior Court, Chicago, reflect that RAFFAELE J. CAPONE filed suit for divorce against FILOMENA J. CAPONE and this divorce was granted 7/18/25. No record of current whereabouts located for VILMA PHEASANT CAPONE. No record of arrest for subject located La Grange, Ill. PD. AUSA [redacted] NDI, advised CAPONE's case involving a civil action to collect income taxes for the years 1926, 1927, and 1928, was expected to come to trial in fall of 1958. Description of [redacted] listed as owner of Suburban Cigarette Service, fit closely description of unknown individual known by the last name of MORRISON, who allegedly meets the subject at airport in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, once a month.

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Approved <div style="text-align: center;"><i>[Signature]</i></div>	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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		<b>ST. SECT.</b>	<b>EX-105</b>

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adv. by rpt. [unclear]  
be sub. by 9/2/58  
9/10/58 [unclear]*

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Havana Beverage Company  
in 1954. CAPONE SHOULD BE ~~BE~~TERED to have gone out of business  
IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PRO. BIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
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DETAILS: AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The title of this case is being marked changed to reflect the name RAFFAELE J. CAPONE as carried in CAPONE's marriage certificate issued May 9, 1928. The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED] b6 b7C  
[REDACTED], unless otherwise indicated:

Personal History and Background

[REDACTED] Immigration and Naturalization Service, 433 West Van Buren, advised on June 13, 1958, RALPH JAMES CAPONE, born RAFFAELE CAPONE, was the son of GABRIEL CAPONE, born Naples, Italy, and THERESA RIALO, born Angri, Naples, Italy. [REDACTED] advised that he did not have a date or place of birth for RALPH CAPONE. b6 b7C

[REDACTED] advised that GABRIEL CAPONE was naturalized on May 25, 1906 in the County Court, Kings County, Brooklyn, New York. At this time, it was necessary for only the father to become naturalized for the wife and all children under twenty-one to become United States citizens. [REDACTED] advised that the petition number did not appear in his files. [REDACTED] advised that it was not necessary for a certificate of derivative citizenship to have been issued for RALPH JAMES CAPONE. b6 b7C

The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, 130 North Wells, were checked on May 12, 1958. These records under Certificate Number 1192123 $\frac{1}{2}$ , issued on May 9, 1928, reflect that RAFFAELE J. CAPONE and Mrs. VILMA VERHULST were married on May 10, 1928, at Cicero, Illinois. This certificate reflects that the marriage was performed by EMIL---- (last name illegible), Justice of the Peace, 5308 West 25th Place, Cicero, Illinois.

The certificate further reflects that RAFFAELE J. CAPONE was born January 12, 1894, at the time of this marriage resided at 2300 Michigan and had previously been

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married, having been divorced in Superior Court in June, 1925. The certificate reflects that Mrs. VILMA VERHULST had previously been married and was a widow.

Docket Number 3803880 was checked on May 9, 1958, in the Circuit Court of Cook County in Chancery. This docket reflected the divorce proceedings of VILMA CAPONE, 1336 Estes Avenue, Plaintiff, versus RALPH J. CAPONE, Defendant. This docket reflected the following information:

Attorney for Plaintiff  
Attorney for Defendant

Charge

Married

Children  
Plaintiff now residing

Witnesses for plaintiff

Decree

FRANK TEED  
ROLAND V. LIBONATI  
134 North LaSalle  
Extreme and repeated  
cruelty; on several  
occasions, hit  
plaintiff on face and  
arms causing bad  
bruises  
May 10, 1928, Cicero,  
Illinois  
None  
1650 South Halsted  
Chicago, Illinois  
JEWEL SOKOLOW  
1363 Estes;  
CHARLOTTE GRAY  
3166 North Cambridge  
Divorce granted. It  
is further ordered,  
question of alimony,  
temporary and permanent,  
court costs and  
attorneys' fees, dower,  
homestead and any and  
all other property  
rights, by reserved for  
future consideration  
by the court.  
Judge FINNEGAN, May 13,  
1958.

Docket Number 420924 was checked on May 15, 1958, in the Superior Court of Chicago. This docket reflects

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divorce proceedings of RAFFAELE J. CAPONE, Plaintiff,  
versus FILOMENA J. CAPONE, Defendant. The following  
information was obtained from this docket:

Plaintiff

Attorney for Plaintiff  
Defendant

Affidavit of non-  
resident  
Charge  
Married

Separated  
Children

Last place where  
plaintiff and defendant  
resided  
Witnesses for Plaintiff

Decree for Divorce.

RAFFAELE J. CAPONE  
7244 Prairie  
JOSEPH LUSTFIELD  
FILOMENA J. CAPONE  
Last known address  
699 President Street,  
Brooklyn, New York.  
Letter postmarked  
June 5, 1925, Chicago,  
to defendant returned  
to writer SAMUEL  
ERICKSON, Clerk,  
Superior Court,  
marked "house vacant"

Filed June 3, 1925  
Desertion  
October 2, 1915,  
Brooklyn, New York  
April 15, 1923  
One child, [REDACTED]  
eight years old, now  
staying with mother of  
plaintiff, THERESA

157 Smith Street  
ALBERT CAPONE;  
CHARLES FIESETTI  
1841 South Wabash  
Divorce granted July 18,  
1925, custody of child,  
[REDACTED] awarded to THERESA  
CAPONE, mother of  
plaintiff.  
Judge SULLIVAN, July 18,  
1925.

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LOUIS HEENEY, deceased;  
JOE CORNGOLD (The files of the Chicago Office failed to reflect any current association between JOE CORNGOLD and the subject);

CLAUDE MADDOX, deceased;  
TERRY DRUGGAN, deceased.

Referral/Consult

T-1 on May 5, 1958, advised [redacted]

At Riverside, Illinois

On April 25; May 2, 5, 7; and June 23, 1958, spot checks were made at the Oak Manor Realty Company, 40 East Avenue. During these checks, no one was located at the office of the Oak Manor Realty and the 1957 Oldsmobile, bearing 1958 Illinois License 2509130, registered to LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ, was not observed in the area.

At La Grange, Illinois

[redacted] Granger Oldsmobile Agency, 1 North Kensington, was contacted April 25, 1958. [redacted] advised that LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ on April 10, 1957, placed an order for a 1957 Oldsmobile. On May 13, 1957, LIPSCHULTZ took delivery of a 1957 Oldsmobile Holiday Coupe, factory number 579M26619. LIPSCHULTZ traded in a 1955 Buick and paid the remainder of this balance in cash. As payment was made in cash, no background or credit information on LIPSCHULTZ was obtained.

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Attached to the order blank for the automobile was a business card for LOUIS LIPSCHULTZ reflecting that he was a representative of the Oak Manor Realty Company, 40 East Avenue, Riverside, Illinois.

At Lyons, Illinois

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T-2 in November, 1957, advised SA KENNETH D. SCHEIWE that [redacted]

[redacted] Clerk, Chicago Credit Bureau, Incorporated, advised on May 7, 1958, that the records of her office contained no information identifiable with VILMA PHESANT CAPONE.

The current Chicago and suburban telephone directories failed to reflect a listing for VILMA PHESANT or VILMA PHESANT CAPONE.

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#### At La Grange, Illinois

[redacted] La Grange Police Department, was contacted on June 23, 1958. [redacted] advised after a check of the records of his department, that he could locate no record of RALPH CAPONE being turned over to the La Grange Police Department by the Chicago Police Department on December 31, 1923, for violation of the Saddler Act. [redacted] further stated that a check of the arrest and fingerprint records of his department failed to reflect any record for the subject.

### Associates

#### At Chicago, Illinois

Previous information reflected that in 1946, the following individuals were associates of RALPH CAPONE:

JACK GUZIK, deceased;  
HYMIE LEVIN, deceased;  
JOE FUSCO (The files of the Chicago Office failed to reflect any current association between JOE FUSCO and the subject);  
MIKE POTSON, deceased;  
MURRAY HUMPHREYS (Top hoodlum of the Chicago Office. No current association between HUMPHREYS and subject known);  
TONY ARCADO (Top hoodlum of the Chicago Office. No information available to indicate a current association between ARCADO and the subject);  
FRANK MARITOTE, deceased;  
LOUIS CAMPAGNA, deceased;

[REDACTED]

Criminal Activities

At Chicago, Illinois

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Lieutenant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Chicago Police Department, advised on May 5, 1958, that he has no information that RALPH CAPONE is in any way connected with the political or gangland slayings which have taken place in Chicago.

As previously reported, Assistant United States Attorney [REDACTED] Northern District of Illinois, advised there was a summons in civil action outstanding for RALPH JAMES CAPONE. This civil action is an effort by the United States Government to collect taxes from CAPONE for the years 1926, 1927, and 1928, in the amount of \$87,217.35, plus six per cent interest from date due. Assistant United States Attorney [REDACTED] advised that the amount involved would be approximately \$240,000.00.

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On April 2, 1958, the Milwaukee Office at 11:22 a.m. telephonically notified the Chicago Office that RALPH JAMES CAPONE was at that time leaving Milwaukee, Wisconsin in his personally owned 1955 Buick bearing 1958 Wisconsin license A 69973 proceeding south on Highway 41.

[REDACTED] Special Agent, Intelligence Division, Internal Revenue Service, United States Treasury Department, was telephonically notified at approximately 11:25 a.m. that RALPH JAMES CAPONE was proceeding in the direction of Chicago.

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SA [REDACTED] met SA [REDACTED] at the Chicago Office and proceeded to Highway 42A near Glenview, Illinois. SAs LESTER K. ESAREY, AUGUST C. KEMPF, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] joined the surveillance.

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At approximately 12:46 p.m., the Agents of the Chicago Office took over the surveillance from Agents of the Milwaukee Office on Highway 42A near Glenview, Illinois.

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CAPONE proceeded south on Highway 42A to Highway 58, west on Highway 58 to Harlem Avenue. CAPONE continued south on Harlem Avenue to Oakton Street, west on Oakton to Prospect Avenue, Park Ridge, Illinois. CAPONE proceeded south on Prospect, Cumberland, and First Avenues to 26th Street, and east on 26th Street to Desplaines Avenue, North Riverside, Illinois. At approximately 1:33 p.m., CAPONE stopped at the Texaco gas station at the corner of Desplaines and 26th.

At 1:38 p.m., CAPONE was observed to leave the Texaco station and proceed south through North Riverside and Riverside, Illinois, to Ogden Avenue. At 1:43 p.m., CAPONE arrived at a Forest Preserve parking lot near 41st and Maple Streets, Lyons, Illinois. CAPONE got out of his car and entered a 1957 black Oldsmobile Holiday Coupe, bearing 1958 Illinois License [redacted] b6 b7C

At 2:30 p.m., CAPONE got out of the Oldsmobile and re-entered his personal car and at 2:32 p.m., CAPONE left the Forest Preserve parking lot and proceeded north on the same route used when proceeding south.

When CAPONE left the parking lot, SAs ESAREY and KEMPFER surveilled the 1957 Oldsmobile that met CAPONE.

When nearing the intersection of Touhy and Harlem, SAs [redacted] and [redacted] placed their car in front of CAPONE's. When CAPONE stopped for a traffic light at the southeast corner of Touhy and Harlem, Niles, Cook County, Illinois, SAs [redacted] and [redacted] were in front of CAPONE's automobile and SAs [redacted] and [redacted] (Internal Revenue Service) (IRS) were behind. At 3:14 p.m., SA [redacted] (IRS) got out of the Bureau car and walked up to the passenger side of CAPONE's car and opened the door. SA [redacted] was standing beside the driver's door of CAPONE's car and observed SA [redacted] (IRS) identify himself and display his badge and then lay the Summons in CAPONE's lap. CAPONE was observed to pick up the Summons. SAs [redacted] and [redacted] turned around and observed the events taking place through the rear window of the Bureau car. SAs [redacted] and [redacted] (IRS) returned to the Bureau car, and when the traffic light turned green, SAs [redacted] and [redacted] turned east and discontinued the surveillance. b6 b7C

SAs [redacted] and [redacted] (IRS) continued surveilling CAPONE north on Highway 42A and at 3:30 p.m., while stopped at a traffic light at the intersection of Waukegan and Willow Road, Northfield, Illinois, CAPONE was observed to unfold the Summons and appeared to read it. The surveillance was then discontinued. b6 b7C

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Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] on June 13, 1958, advised that [redacted] Attorney for CAPONE, filed an answer denying the charges set forth in the Summons. This answer was filed with the clerk of the court, United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, on May 7, 1958. [redacted] advised the case number was 52-C-2841. [redacted] advised that he expected this case to come to trial in early fall, 1958.

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Legitimate Enterprises

Suburban Cigarette Service

At Brookfield, Illinois

On April 25; May 2, 5; and June 23, 1958, spot checks were made at the Suburban Cigarette Service, 8940 Ogden Avenue and no activity was noted at this location.

On May 1, 1958, the rear door of the building located at 8940 Ogden Avenue, was observed to be open. Inside were a number of cigarette vending machines. Parked by the door was a green panel truck bearing 1958 Illinois License B39278, registered to the Suburban Cigarette Service, 8940 Ogden Avenue, Brookfield, Illinois, for a 1951 Ford.

Observed leaving the building and entering a 1957 Cadillac bearing 1958 Illinois License [redacted] parked at the rear of the building was an individual fitting the description of an individual known by the last name of [redacted] who allegedly meets CAPONE at Mitchell Field Airport, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, once a month and generally gives CAPONE money in the amount of \$1,000.00 and up.

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1958 Illinois License [redacted] was issued to [redacted] for a 1957 Cadillac. It is noted that a Dun and Bradstreet report, dated April 22, 1957, reflects that [redacted] of the Suburban Cigarette Service is [redacted]

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On May 7, 1958, an older model Ford was observed to drive into the rear of the building at 8940 Ogden. This car bore 1958 Illinois License [redacted] which was issued to [redacted]

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[redacted] Contractor, 8940 Ogden Avenue, was contacted on June 23, 1958. [redacted] office is located in the same building with the Suburban Cigarette Service. [redacted] advised that the building is rented from Tuschall Engineering Company, 8934 Ogden, Brookfield, Illinois.

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[redacted] advised that he was unable to furnish any information regarding the operations or ownership of the Suburban Cigarette Service. [redacted] stated that when he had brought up the subject of the operations of the company on several occasions in the past, [redacted] refused to discuss the subject and quickly changed the topic of conversation. [redacted] advised that he was only casually acquainted with [redacted] as well as a [redacted] who is also seen around the premises frequently.

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[redacted] furnished the following description of [redacted]

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	55
Height	6'
Weight	210-220 pounds
Build	Heavy
Hair	Dark, streaked with gray, curly
Characteristics	Heavy beard

[redacted] furnished the following description of [redacted]

Race  
Sex  
Age  
Height  
Build  
Hair

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It is noted that the above description of [redacted] is almost identical with the description of an individual by the last name of [redacted] who allegedly meets CAPONE at Mitchell Field Airport, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, once a month.

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Havana Beverage Company

At Chicago, Illinois

It was determined from an unidentified individual at the Victory Spud Service, Incorporated, 3410 West Lake, that [redacted] of the building.

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Attempts were made to contact [redacted] on June 2, 4, and 12, 1958. [redacted] was contacted on June 23, 1958, and advised that at the time the Havana Beverage Company occupied the premises at 3410 West Lake, which building was owned by [redacted] After [redacted] death, [redacted] took over operations of the building.

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[redacted] stated that she was not familiar with the operations of the Havana Beverage Company, but when the company left this address sometime in 1954, it was her understanding that the company went out of business.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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The investigative period of this report covers an extended period of time because the case was placed in a pending inactive status awaiting re-evaluation of outstanding leads by the Office of Origin.

Referral/Consult

[REDACTED]

It was previously reported that [REDACTED] believed by the Milwaukee Office to be a PCI of Chicago, [REDACTED] made the comment to Bureau Agents in 1956 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was., Et Al; [REDACTED] wa., Et Al - VICTIM, WHITE SLAVE TRAFFIC ACT - CONSPIRACY.

At this time, it was determined that [REDACTED] a white male, was born [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Repeated efforts were made to contact him on July 26, 27, 28, 29, 1952. On September 24, 1952, it was determined that [REDACTED] had moved and left no forwarding address. The case was closed on September 29, 1952, and [REDACTED] was contacted only on the one occasion described above.

The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Circuit Court of Cook County in Chancery and Superior Court, Chicago, Illinois, regarding the marriage and divorce of RALPH JAMES CAPONE were checked by Investigative Clerk [REDACTED]

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The records of the Chicago Credit Bureau, Incorporated, regarding VILMA PHEASANT CAPONE were checked at the request of Investigative Clerk [REDACTED]

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INFORMANTS

Referral/Consult

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LEADS

THE CHICAGO DIVISION

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will continue investigation regarding the subject's activities and associates in Chicago and surrounding suburbs.

REFERENCES

Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 4/15/58 at Chicago. b6  
Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, dated 4/15/58 at Milwaukee. b7C  
Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, dated 6/18/58 at Milwaukee.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Office of Origin <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Date <b>AUG 29 1958</b>	Investigative Period <b>6/26,27; 7/3,10, 28,30,31; 8/22/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.</b>		Report made by <b>JOSEPH S. WALKER</b>	Typed By: <b>esl</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

Synopsis:

RALPH CAPONE. FBI # 145 581, continues to reside Mercer, Wisconsin, [redacted] and continues to make regular trips to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. On 7/2/58 subject appeared Milwaukee, Wis. Police Department Detective Bureau and complained about being surveilled by Milwaukee PD detectives. JOSEPH GAGLIANO has no information indicating that subject CAPONE or any other individual would extract tribute for the privilege of his staying in business. RALPH CAPONE on 7/2/58 advised Milwaukee police his sole income is derived from his cigarette vending machine business, the Suburban Vending Company, Brookfield, Illinois. Recent description set forth. Most recent photograph obtained and forwarded to FBI Identification Division. CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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Approved <i>[Signature]</i>	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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DETAILS:

The following investigation, unless otherwise indicated, was conducted by SA JOSEPH S. WALKER.

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

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T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on June 22, 1958, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

The Milwaukee Sentinel in its issue July 3, 1958, in an article on page 1, column 3, reported that RALPH J. (BOTTLES) CAPONE, age 64, brother of the late "infamous" AL CAPONE, Chicago gangster king, went to Detective Captain CHARLES NOWAKOWSKI of the Milwaukee Police Department Wednesday, July 2, 1958, to "protest bitterly against the practice of having detectives trail him every time he comes to a Braves game here or goes through Milwaukee on his way between Chicago and Mercer, Wisconsin, where he has a summer home." The article reports that CAPONE was accompanied to the Detective Bureau by one JOSEPH KRASNO, "one time Milwaukee gambler and downtown tavern operator;" that Captain ADRIAN MERSHON, head of the Milwaukee PD Undercover Squad, sat in with Captain NOWAKOWSKI on the interview. The article states that CAPONE served a three-year prison term for tax evasion in the Prohibition Era and still is being sued by the Government. The article indicated that CAPONE was asked if he had any business or tavern interests in Wisconsin and he denied that he had any money in any such enterprise in the city, county or state. He told officers that he is now "legitimate" and not interested in any rackets and that he really did not like the idea of Milwaukee "coppers" spotting him and then following him around even to baseball games.

Captain NOWAKOWSKI is reported in this article to have said that if he, CAPONE, did not like that kind of attention he could bypass Milwaukee and further that any time he is seen in Milwaukee the police will keep "a more or less fatherly eye on him." The article further indicated that NOWAKOWSKI suggested that CAPONE stay out of Milwaukee entirely as Milwaukee did not want anyone with his background; that NOWAKOWSKI at the same time admitted to CAPONE that the police could not run him out of town if he wanted to come here.

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B. CRIMINAL RECORD

No additional criminal record has been developed.

C. ASSOCIATES AND RELATIVES

JOSEPH GAGLIANO

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On June 3, 1958, [REDACTED]  
Milwaukee Police Department. informed SA JAMES E. MC ARDLE

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

T-1 on July 10, 1958. informed that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past,  
on June 27, 1958. informed SA JAMES E. MC ARDLE that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

T-1 on July 10, 1958, advised [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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T-1 stated on July 10, 1958, that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Informant on July 10, 1958, said [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

T-1 informed on July 10, 1958, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

T-1 on the same date stated that it [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

T-1 on July 10, 1958, advised [REDACTED]

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Informant further stated

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

T-1 on July 10, 1958, further informed

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[REDACTED]

T-1 on July 10, 1958, informed

[REDACTED]

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T-1 on August 22, 1958, informed that

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D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

No additional information to report.

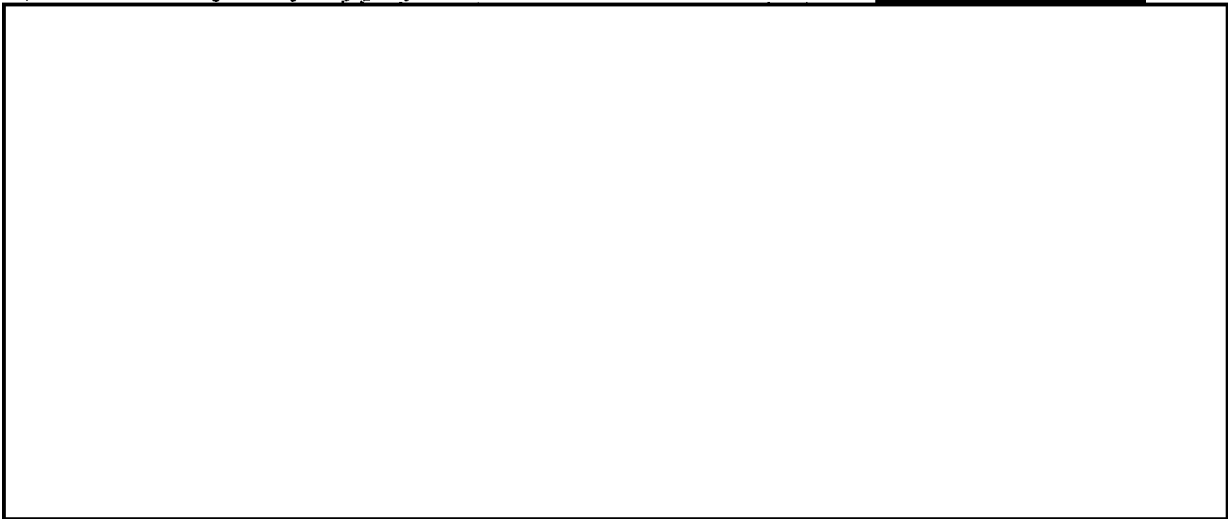
E. LEGITIMATE AND ILLEGITIMATE  
ENTERPRISES

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T-1 on July 10, 1958, said that he knows that



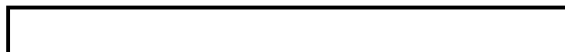
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T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on August 22, 1958, made available the following information to SA LAURENCE J. GIUNTOLI



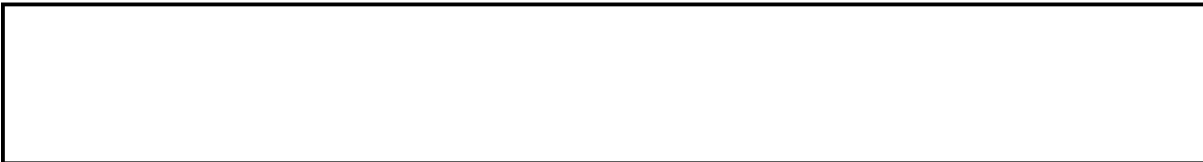
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On the evening of July 1, 1958,





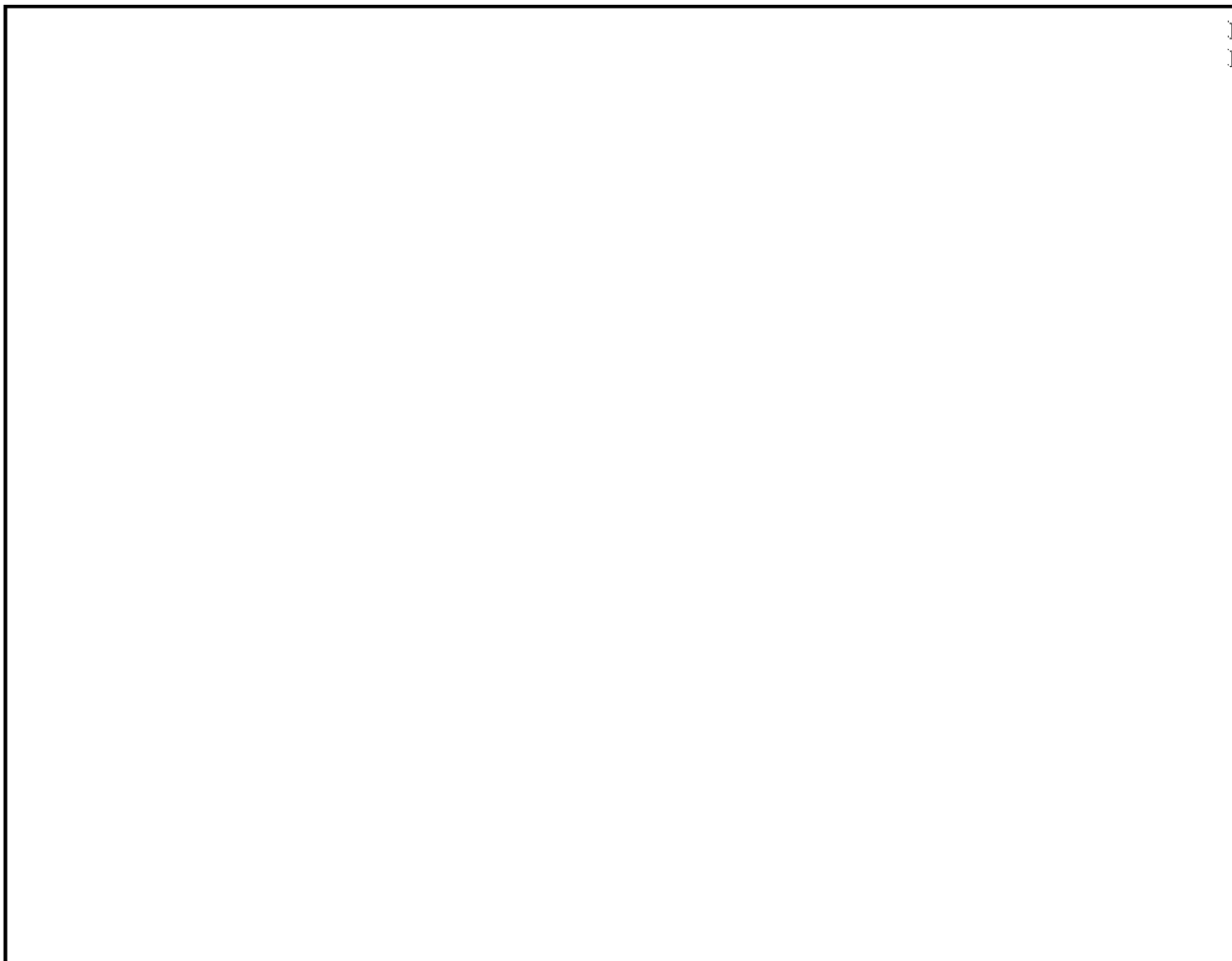
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T-1 on August 22, 1958, informed [REDACTED]

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F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT AND HANGOUTS  
FREQUENTED

According to T-1, [REDACTED]

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G. TRAVEL

AT WAUSAU, WISCONSIN

T-1 on June 26, 1958, advised [REDACTED]

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AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

On June 27, 1958, SAs JOHN A. HOLTZMAN, ROBERT M. FAUNTLEROY and JAMES E. MC ARDLE endeavored to determine RALPH CAPONE's location in the Milwaukee area. A check of the Hotel Stratford and Hotel Ambassador parking lots on two separate occasions failed to locate either of RALPH CAPONE's automobiles. In addition thereto, all registration cards for the preceding twenty-four hours were checked by SA MC ARDLE at the Hotel Stratford and by SA HOLTZMAN at the Hotel Ambassador with negative results as to the subject's whereabouts.

[REDACTED] Ambassador Hotel, Milwaukee. Wisconsin, upon contact on June 27, 1958, by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] advised that the subject as R. C. JAMES had been a regular hotel patron for approximately a year, that the subject would normally register at the hotel the last day of the month and leave several days later. [REDACTED] informed that the subject was accompanied by his wife on these trips and listed his residence as Minocqua, Wisconsin. FISCHER further informed that CAPONE has not registered at that hotel since the week end he, CAPONE, was served a subpoena

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in the Chicago, Illinois area for possible tax evasion. According to the hotel records, subject CAPONE's last registration at that hotel as a patron was on April 1, 1958.

A check of the airport parking facilities at the Billy Mitchell Field failed to reflect either of the subject's automobiles.

T-2 on June 27, 1958, informed SAs JAMES E. MC ARDLE and JOHN A. HOLTZMAN that he had not seen the subject in town and had not heard of his having been in town for several months.

T-2 further informed that he had spent the entire day Friday, June 27, 1958, [REDACTED] b7D

AT WAUSAU, WISCONSIN

T-1 on July 28, 1958, advised [REDACTED]

On July 30, 1958, informant advised [REDACTED] b7D

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

A fisur initiated at the General Billy Mitchell Airport by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] beginning at 11:00 a.m. on July 31, 1958, reflected the following: b6 b7C

12:45 p.m.

North Central flight #570 arrived at Billy Mitchell Airport from Ironwood, Michigan. Subject and two other unknown males arrived on this flight.

1:00 p.m.

Subject and unknown males departed airport with personal luggage in Yellow Cab #332.

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1:15 p.m. Subject and companions arrived at the Ambassador Hotel where all three entered the hotel with personal luggage.

1:27 p.m. Subject and companions left hotel and returned to Yellow Cab #332.

1:50 p.m. Subject and companions left Yellow Cab at Milwaukee County Stadium and entered County Stadium. (Milwaukee Braves baseball team playing afternoon ball game starting at 2:00 p.m., 7/31/58.)

2:00 p.m. Fisur discontinued.

H. PERSONAL HABITS AND PECULIARITIES

No additional information to report.

I. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION AND PHOTOGRAPH

The following is the most recent description of RALPH JAMES CAPONE as obtained by the Milwaukee Police Department on July 2, 1958:

Name	RALPH JAMES CAPONE
Alias	Ralph James Capper
Milwaukee PD No.	81646
Born	January 12, 1898-94 Naples, Italy
Height	5'11
Weight	214
Build	Stout
Complexion	Dark
Hair	Black, graying, thin top, bald
Eyes	Brown, wears glasses
Tattoos	Tattoo of five point star with "RC" below on forearm in center (very faint); heart with two hands shaking outer center forearm

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Relatives

Father, GABRIEL CAPONE,  
deceased;  
mother, THERESA CAPONE,  
deceased;  
brothers, MATTHEW CAPONE,  
age 50, address believed  
to be Miami, Florida;  
JOHN CAPONE, age 55,  
address believed to be  
Chicago, Illinois;  
ALBERT (BERT), 53, 1331  
Harlam Avenue, Oak Park,  
Illinois;  
sister, MAFLADA (in her  
40's) (Mrs. JOHN MARITOTE,  
10924 Artesion Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois)

Marital Status

First wife: FLORENCE,  
age 59, nee MOSCATO, whom  
he married in 1915 at  
Brooklyn, New York;  
divorced in 1925 at  
Chicago, Illinois, where-  
abouts unknown;  
second wife: VELMA (50)  
nee Pheasant, married in  
1928 at Chicago, Ill.;  
divorced September, 1939  
at Chicago, Illinois,  
whereabouts unknown;  
no living children  
Cigarette broker,  
8940 Ogden Avenue,  
Brookfield, Illinois

Occupation

On July 2, 1958, the Milwaukee Police Department obtained a recent photograph of RALPH JAMES CAPONE, Milwaukee PD Number 81646, which photograph has been forwarded to the FBI Identification Division, by separate communication.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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T-1 - [redacted] who was contacted by SAs JOSEPH S. WALKER  
and JOHN T. MC CARRIER

T-2 - [redacted] a PCI of the Milwaukee Office who was  
contacted on June 27, 1958, by SA JAMES E. MC ARDLE

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T-3 - [redacted]  
[redacted], who made  
available confidential information from the police  
department report on August 22, 1958, to SA LAURENCE  
J. GIUNTOLI

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CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE

The criminal informant coverage and potential criminal informants utilized in the Milwaukee Division are as follows:

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Further development of informant coverage will continue in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, [REDACTED]

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-3001)

DATE: AUG 29 1958

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (94-319)

SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING✓  
OO - Milwaukee

Enclosed is the report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER at Milwaukee dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCE

Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, 6/18/58, Milwaukee

ADMINISTRATIVE

Two copies of this report are designated for the Chicago Office inasmuch as that division is presently covering leads in this case.

LEADSTHE MILWAUKEE OFFICE  
AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

1. Inasmuch as investigation to date has failed to reflect any current illegitimate activities on the part of subject RALPH JAMES CAPONE, when outstanding leads have been covered and reported, if still no current illegitimate activities reflected, will consider placing this case in a P\* status.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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Reporting Office <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Office of Origin <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Date <b>OCT 30 1958</b>	Investigative Period <b>9/2,4,22,28,39: 10/4/58</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.</b>		Report made by <b>JOSEPH S. WALKER</b>	Typed By: <b>mg</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

**Synopsis:**

RALPH JAMES CAPONE, FBI #145581, registered at Stratford Hotel, Milwaukee, Wis., 9/1/58 as R. C. XAMES. Informant advises [redacted]

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[redacted] Subject while in Milwaukee was seen [redacted] Chicago was unable to identify a JOE or RALPH DEMARCO who met CAPONE in Mercer, Wis., during summer of 1958. ATU unable to substantiate from ATU informant that RALPH CAPONE had machine guns in 1956 Lincoln. CAPONE continues to reside Mercer, Wis. CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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**Details:** The following investigation, unless otherwise reflected, was conducted by SA JOSEPH S. WALKER:

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

At Mercer, Wisconsin

Approved <i>[Signature]</i>	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
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*[Signature]*  
**STACY**

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T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on October 4, 1953 [redacted]

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B. CRIMINAL RECORD

No additional information to report.

C. ASSOCIATES

At Chicago, Illinois

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

JOE or RALPH DEMARCO

In regard to JOE or RALPH DEMARCO (ph), who supposedly operates a large restaurant in Chicago, Illinois, and who met with RALPH CAPONE during the early summer of 1953, the files in the Chicago Office contain no identifiable information. On August 28, 1953 a check of the files of the Bureau of Records and Communications of the Chicago Police Department failed to locate any information identifiable with JOE or RALPH DEMARCO. [redacted] clerk, Chicago Credit Bureau, Inc., advised on August 5, 1953 that the files of her office contain no information identifiable with a JOE or RALPH DEMARCO.

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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[redacted] clerk, Stratford Hotel, 14th and West Wisconsin Avenue, on September 2, 1953 advised SA JAMES E. MCARDLE that [redacted] who apparently are old family friends of CAPONE, came to the Stratford Hotel on the evening of September 1, 1953 with CAPONE. He said that RALPH CAPONE registered on September 1, 1953 at the Stratford Hotel as R. C. JAMES and that he occupied room 218 at that hotel. In regard to the [redacted]

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SANTO GAGLIANO and  
ANGELO FAZIO

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T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on September 22, 1968 advised that when [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

B. LEGITIMATE AND ILLEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

At Mercer, Wisconsin

T-1 on September 4, 1968 informed that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

T-1 further stated

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[REDACTED]

At Chicago, Illinois

The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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Referral/Consult

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

On September 22, 1958 SA LAURENCE J. GIUNTOLI contacted

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F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT

At Mercer, Wisconsin

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T-1 advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

G. TRAVEL

At Mercer, Wisconsin

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on September 23, 1958 advised that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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T-1 is [ ] who was contacted on September 4, 1958,  
September 30, 1958 and October 4, 1958 by SA JOSEPH  
S. WALSH.

T-2 is [ ] a FCI of the Milwaukee Division, who was  
contacted on September 22, 1958 by SA JAMES E. MC ADLE.

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T-3 is [ ] who telephonically furnished information to  
SA JOSEPH S. WALSH on September 23, 1958.

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CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE

Criminal informant coverage and potential criminal informant coverage utilized in the Milwaukee Division in this investigation are as follows:

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Further development of informant coverage will continue in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, at places the subject is known to frequent.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (92-3001)

DATE: OCT 30 1958

FROM : SAC, Milwaukee (94-319)

SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, was.  
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Enclosed are two copies of the report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER dated and captioned as above at Milwaukee.

Reference: Report SA Joseph S. Walker, 8/29/58, Milwaukee.

Chicago airtel to Milwaukee, 8/26/58.

Administrative

Inasmuch as investigation in this case to date fails to develop any criminal activity on the part of subject, this case is being placed in a Pending Inactive status, to be reactivated in 90 days.

2 copies of this report have been designated for the Chicago Office for information purposes, inasmuch as the Chicago Office undoubtedly at a later date may have additional investigation to conduct in this case.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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Director, FBI (92-3001)

*BP*  
RALPH JAMES CAPONE, aka.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reurmemo 10/30/58 transmitting report of  
SA Joseph S. Walker, Milwaukee, 10/30/58.

It is noted that you have placed this case in  
a pending inactive status to be reactivated in 90 days.

In view of the notoriety associated with the  
Capones, you should be certain that adequate coverage of  
the subject's activities is established and maintained  
so that you will be kept currently advised of all pertinent  
activities. You should closely follow this matter so that  
you can remain abreast of all significant activities and  
keep the Bureau fully advised of any information of interest.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Office of Origin <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Date <b>FEB 17 1959</b>	Investigative Period <b>11/26/58 - 2/8/59</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE, aka.</b>		Report made by <b>SA JOSEPH S. WALKER</b>	Typed By: <b>mak</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

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## REFERENCE

Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, 10/30/58 at Milwaukee.

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## ADMINISTRATIVE

Inasmuch as investigation in this case to date fails to develop any criminal activity on the part of the Subject, this case is being placed in a Pending Inactive Status for 90 days.

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### CHICAGO OFFICE

#### AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Two copies of this report have been designated for the Chicago Division for information purposes inasmuch as the Chicago Office at a later date may have additional investigation to conduct in

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this case in view of the notoriety associated with the CAPONES in the past and in view of the fact that Chicago undoubtedly is maintaining adequate informant coverage should the Subject become involved in any significant activity in that area which might be of interest to the Bureau. CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## Copy to:

Report of: SA JOSEPH S. WALKER

Office: MILWAUKEE

Date: FEB 17 1959

File Number: Bureau (92-3001)  
Milwaukee (94-319)

Title: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, aka

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

## Synopsis:

RALPH JAMES CAPONE, FBI No. 145581, continues to reside  
vicinity of Mercer, Wisconsin. Informant advises [REDACTED]b6  
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[REDACTED] Informant advises [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF  
HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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DETAILSThe following investigation, unless otherwise  
reflected, was conducted by Special Agent JOSEPH S.  
WALKER.

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A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

AT MERCER, WISCONSIN

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 22, 1959 that RALPH CAPONE still continues to reside at Mercer, Wisconsin, [REDACTED]

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B. CRIMINAL RECORD

No additional information to report.

C. ASSOCIATES

AT HURLEY, WISCONSIN

T-1 on November 25, 1958 advised [REDACTED]

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On December 18, 1958 T-1 stated [REDACTED]

T-1 on November 25, 1958 informed that during the [REDACTED]

T-1 advised on December 18, 1958 that [REDACTED]

T-1 said [REDACTED]

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T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, on December 18, 1958 stated that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] T-1 said [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

No additional information to report.

E. LEGITIMATE AND ILLEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

No additional information to report.

F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT AND HANGOUTS FREQUENTED

On December 18, 1958 while traveling on U.S. Highway 51 in the vicinity of Mercer and Hurley, Wisconsin, Special Agent JOSEPH S. WALKER observed RALPH CAPONE's green Pontiac station wagon parked at the El Capitan Supper Club at 7:45 P.M.

T-1 advised on January 22, 1959 that [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] T-1 further advised [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] T-1 [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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T-1 on January 22, 1959 informed that [REDACTED]

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G. TRAVEL

AT MERCER, WISCONSIN

T-1 further advised on January 22, 1959 that

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AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

On December 30, 1958 Special Agent LAURENCE J. GIUNTOLI was advised [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] at the Ambassador Hotel, 23rd and Wisconsin Avenue, that on December 29, 1958 a Mr. and Mrs. R. C. JAMES registered at this hotel. It is to be noted that R. C. JAMES is the name that has been used by the Subject when previously registering at the Ambassador Hotel.

CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS  
IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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T-1 is [redacted] who was contacted on December 18, 1958 by Special Agents CLIFFORD E. HUHTA and JOSEPH S. WALKER, and on November 25, 1958 and January 22, 1959 by Special Agents JOHN T. MC CARRIER and JOSEPH S. WALKER.



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CRIMINAL INFORMANT COVERAGE

Criminal Informant Coverage utilized in the Milwaukee Division in this investigation was [REDACTED] b7D

Further development of informant coverage will continue in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, *Milwaukee* *Kee* (Your file 94-319) DATE: 2-10-59FROM : Director, FBI (Bufile and serial 92-3001) *J/25*SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE  
ANTI-RACKETEERING Office of Origin: 141

1. ( ) The deadline in this case has passed and the Bureau has not received a report. You are instructed to submit a report immediately. In the event a report has been submitted, you should make a notation of the date on which it was submitted on this letter and return it to the Bureau, Room No. *4910*

Report submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Report will be submitted *2/22/59* b6Reason for delay *Copy draft returned to* b7C*by Supv. because*  
*Special informant referred to by 94-319 Symbols (T1+T2)*

2. ( ) Advise Bureau re status of this case.
3. *X* Advise Bureau when report may be expected.
4. ( ) Surep immediately.

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*Walker*

(Place your reply on this form and return to the Bureau. Note on the top serial in the case file the receipt and acknowledgment of this communication.)

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Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
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Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM SAC, MILWAUKEE 1- P

RALPH JAMES CAPONE, AKA, AR. FORMER SA

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ING U. S. SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON IMPROPER ACTIVITIES IN THE  
LABOR OR MANAGEMENT FIELD, COMMONLY KNOWN AS MC CLELLAN COMMITTEE,  
TELEPHONED TWO FORTYFIVE PM THIS DATE FROM CHICAGO. ADVISED IN  
POSSESSION SUBPOENA FOR CAPONES APPEARANCE BEFORE MC CLELLAN  
COMMITTEE NEXT TUESDAY, BUT UNABLE TO LOCATE CAPONE. INQUIRY BY  
COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE AT MERCER, WIS. RESULTED IN INFORMATION  
CAPONE IN MILWAUKEE FOR COUPLE OF DAYS, AFTER WHICH HE WAS QUOTE  
GOING WEST UNQUOTE. [ ] MADE EFFORTS LAST NIGHT TO LOCATE  
CAPONE IN MILWAUKEE THROUGH COOPERATION LOCAL POLICE, AND  
IS SATISFIED CAPONE NOT IN MILWAUKEE. [ ] DESIRED INFO RE  
WHEREABOUTS OF CAPONE, IF KNOWN. IT WAS COURTEOUSLY SUGGESTED TO  
HIM THAT ANY REQUEST OF FBI SHOULD BE MADE THROUGH USUAL PROCEDURE  
IN WASHINGTON. [ ] STATED SUCH A REQUEST WAS BEING INITIATED  
TODAY. FOR BUREAU INFO, WE DO NOT HAVE THE PRESENT LOCATION OF  
CAPONE. NO ACTION, UACB.

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6-30 PM OK FBI WA DI

Mr. Rosen

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Office of Origin <b>MILWAUKEE</b>	Date <b>JUN 3 1959</b>	Investigative Period <b>2/18-5/29/59</b>
TITLE OF CASE <b>CHANGED</b> <b>RALPH JAMES CAPONE, Aka., Bottles Capone, Ralph Caponi, Ralph J. Capper, James Carroll, James Carson, James Carter, James Costello Jr., Mr. Goetz, Ralph James, Harry Roberts, Harry White, Jack Kaplan.</b>		Report made by <b>JOSEPH S. WALKER</b>	Typed By: <b>SS</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>ANTI-RACKETEERING</b>	

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The title of this report is marked changed to include the additional alias for the subject of JACK KAPLAN inasmuch as the Miami Office has advised that subject had been residing at a motel at Indialantic, Florida, during March, 1959 under this alias.

## REFERENCES

Report of SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, dated 2/17/59, at Milwaukee.  
Bureau teletype to Milwaukee, dated 2/20/59, entitled, "RALPH JAMES CAPONE, MISSING WITNESS, SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE."  
Miami teletype to Director, dated 3/13/59, entitled, "RALPH JAMES CAPONE, Aka., MISSING WITNESS, SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE."  
Bureau airtel to Milwaukee, dated 3/17/59, entitled, "RALPH JAMES CAPONE, Aka., MISSING WITNESS, SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE."  
Little Rock airtel to Chicago, dated 3/21/59, entitled, "RALPH JAMES CAPONE, Aka., MISSING WITNESS, SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE," (I.O.).

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Two copies of this report are designated for the Chicago Office in view of RALPH CAPONE's association with that area over the period of years and the fact that in the future there may be further investigation concerning the subject.

Two copies of this report are designated for the Miami Office inasmuch as on 3/13/59 Miami advised Milwaukee that information was received that subject using the name JACK KAPLAN was residing at a motel at Indialantic, Florida, since 3/1/59.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Inasmuch as investigation in this case to date fails to develop any specific criminal activity on the part of the subject, this case is being closed.

INFORMANTS

T-1 is [ ] who was contacted by SA JOSEPH S. WALKER on 2/19, 2/21, 3/1, 2, 8 and 11/59.

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CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

## Copy to:

Report of: SA JOSEPH S. WALKER

Office: Milwaukee

Date:

JUN 3 1959

File Number: Milwaukee (94-319)

Bureau (92-3001)

Title: RALPH JAMES CAPONE

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject [redacted] have not returned to Hurley, Wisconsin, since middle of February, 1959, at which time the Iron County sheriff from Hurley attempted to serve two subpoenas on CAPONE for appearance before the Senate Select Committee. Bureau advised Milwaukee 2/20/59 to institute investigation to ascertain CAPONE's whereabouts and when located, to notify USM and local Committee representative. T-1 on 3/2/59 advised [redacted]

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T-1 also advised [redacted]

[redacted] Miami advised Milwaukee that subject using name JACK KAPLAN had been residing in motel Indialantic, Florida, since March 1, 1959. Bureau on 3/17/59 advised Milwaukee to discontinue efforts to locate subject as subject's testimony no longer desired. Review of file fails to reflect any specific criminal activity on the part of the subject in the Milwaukee Division. CAPONE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF HIS DANGEROUS PROPENSITIES.

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## DETAILS:

A. PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUNDAT MERCER, WISCONSIN

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T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past,  
on April 27, 1959 advised [REDACTED]

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B. CRIMINAL RECORD

No additional information to report.

C. ASSOCIATES

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T-1 advised [REDACTED]

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T-1 on February 19, 1959 advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On March 2, 1959 T-1 stated [REDACTED]

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T-1 said that

On March 2, 1959, T-1 advised

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T-1 on March 8, 1959, stated that

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#### D. CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

A review of the file in this case by SA JOSEPH S. WALKER on May 28, 1959 fails to reflect any specific criminal activity by the subject in the Milwaukee Division.

#### E. LEGITIMATE AND ILLEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

On February 19, 1959, [redacted] Iron County Sheriff's Office, Hurley, Wisconsin, exhibited to SA JOSEPH S. WALKER [redacted]

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It is to be noted that prior to the conversation with Sheriff [REDACTED] SA JOSEPH S. WALKER when traveling through Mercer, Wisconsin, on the early a.m. of February 19, 1959, had observed CAPONE's 1953 Pontiac station wagon bearing Wisconsin license A69972 parked across the street from the U. S. Post Office at Mercer in front of "Rosie's", a tavern. It was noted at the time that the color of CAPONE's station wagon has been painted to change its appearance; it formerly having been a two-tone green, and it is now a two-tone color with a cream colored top and a solid black bottom.

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F. PLACES OF AMUSEMENT AND HANGOUTS FREQUENTED

No additional information to report.

G. TRAVEL

T-1 on February 19, 1959 stated [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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T-1 on March 2, 1959. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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On March 9, 1959, [REDACTED] Deputy U. S. Marshal, Western District of Wisconsin, Superior, Wisconsin, telephonically informed SA JOSEPH S. WALKER that as of that date, he still had subpoenas to serve on CAPONE and he had not been able to locate CAPONE. He stated from what he can determine CAPONE and [REDACTED] are traveling in a light colored 1959 Buick sedan bearing Wisconsin license CK2884, which is registered to [REDACTED] Mercer, Wisconsin. He said that they may be in the vicinity of Hot Springs, Arkansas, or French Lick, Indiana.

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BOB FRINK, Special Agent in Charge, Chicago Division, Thoroughbred Racing Protective Bureau, who is currently track police supervisor at the Oaklawn Race Track, Hot Springs, Arkansas, advised on March 20, 1959 that one of his investigators, [REDACTED] had advised him that he had observed the subject at a place of business located at 39th and Harlem, Chicago, Illinois, around the middle of February, 1959. FRINK advised that according to [REDACTED] the place where he observed the subject was now called The Steak House or words similar to that and used to be known as "Rosie's" and pointed out that the establishment also formerly maintained a horse book in the rear of the establishment.

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FRINK advised that when [REDACTED] observed the subject, the subject was with his, CAPONE's, brother BERT RAIOLA, a real estate man known only by the name of [REDACTED] and another individual known only to [REDACTED] as [REDACTED]. FRINK advised that BERT RAIOLA, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] reportedly only recently had bought the above-mentioned restaurant or business establishment. FRINK further quoted [REDACTED] as stating that the day he observed the

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subject he had also observed in the local Chicago papers that RALPH CAPONE was being sought by the Senate Committee as a witness.

FRINK, a former Bureau Agent, advised that several of his detectives at Oaklawn Race Track were acquainted with the subject on a speaking basis and that should he come to the Oaklawn Race Track, he, FRINK, would undoubtedly ascertain same.

#### H. MISCELLANEOUS

On February 19, 1959, Former SA HAROLD RANSTAD, representing the U. S. Senate Select Committee on Improper Activities in the labor or management field, commonly known as the MC CLELLAN Committee, telephonically contacted the Milwaukee Office from Chicago and advised that that Committee is in possession of a subpoena for CAPONE's appearance before the MC CLELLAN Committee on Tuesday, February 24, 1959, but that to date efforts by the Committee to locate CAPONE had been negative. He informed that inquiry by a Committee representative at Mercer resulted in information that CAPONE was in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for a couple of days after which he was "going West." RANSTAD informed that efforts were made on the night of February 18 to locate CAPONE in Milwaukee through the cooperation of the Milwaukee Police Department and that he is satisfied that CAPONE is not in Milwaukee. RANSTAD stated that he desired information regarding the whereabouts of CAPONE if CAPONE's address was known to the Milwaukee Office. Mr. RANSTAD at the time was informed that any request of the FBI would have to be made through the usual procedure in Washington.

The Bureau by communication dated February 20, 1959 informed the Milwaukee Office that the Bureau had agreed to assist the Committee by determining the location of CAPONE and instructed that Milwaukee institute immediate investigation to ascertain CAPONE's whereabouts. This communication further advised that in the event CAPONE's location was determined the Bureau was to be notified immediately; that the U. S. Marshal and the local Committee

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representative were also to be notified, and that under no circumstances was the subpoena to be served by Bureau personnel.

On February 24, 1959, T-1 advised [redacted]

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The Miami Office by communication dated March 16, 1959 informed that RALPH MILLS, local Committee representative, on March 16, 1959 informed the Miami Office that information was received from [redacted] Administrative Assistant to the Chief Counsel, Senate Select Committee, that the Committee proceedings "passed the point" where the subject's testimony is desired and the subpoena is not to be served on him. The Miami Office by communication dated 3/13/59 advised subject since 3/1/59 had been residing at the CASA DON MOTEL, 601 S. MIRAMAR, INDIAN LANTIC, FLA., UNDER THE NAME OF JACK KAPLAN. The Bureau by communication dated March 17, 1959 advised the Milwaukee Office to discontinue efforts to locate the subject inasmuch as the Committee has stated subject's testimony was no longer necessary.

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The following investigation was conducted at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on the evening of February 20, 1959 by SAS CLARK E. LOVRIEN and JAMES E. MC ARDLE for the purpose of attempting to determine subject's whereabouts. All persons contacted had no current information concerning subject. They were:

[redacted]  
[redacted]  
Frenchy's Restaurant - North Avenue at Murray

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[redacted] - Stratford Hotel  
14th and Wisconsin

[redacted] - Ambassador  
Hotel - 23rd and Wisconsin Avenue

[redacted] Vogue Bar  
14th and Wisconsin Avenue

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T-1 upon being contacted on April 27 and May 7, 1959  
advised [REDACTED]

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Date 6/3/59

To

☒ Director

Bufile 92-3001

FILE # MI 94-319

Att. ....

☐ SAC

☐ ASAC

☐ Supv.

☐ Agent

☐ SE

☐ CC

☐ Steno

☐ Clerk

Title .....

RALPH JAMES CAPONE, aka  
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**ACTION DESIRED**

☐ Acknowledge

☐ Assign ..... Reassign .....

☐ Bring file

☐ Call me

☐ Correct

☐ Deadline .....

☐ Deadline passed

☐ Delinquent

☐ Discontinue

☐ Expedite

☐ File

☐ Initial & return

☐ Leads need attention

☐ Open Case

☐ Return with explanation or notation as to action taken.

☐ Prepare lead cards

☐ Prepare tickler

☐ Recharge serials

☐ Return assignment card

☐ Return file

☐ Return serials

☐ Search and return

☐ See me

☐ Send Serials .....

to .....

☐ Submit new charge-out

☐ Submit report by .....

☐ Type

Rerep SA JOSEPH S. WALKER, Milwaukee, 6/3/59.

Following inadvertently omitted from rerep. Please add page 7 after paragraph 2:

The Miami Office by communication dated 3/13/59

cc: Chicago (94-442)

cc: Miami

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SAC GEARTY

Off

Milwaukee

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JUN 27 1959

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advised subject since 3/1/59 had been residing  
at Casa Don Motel, 601 S. Miramar,  
Atlantic, Fla., under the name of  
JACK KAPLAN.

MR. JONES  
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Ingram	_____
Gandy	_____

☒ **Radio**☐ **Teletype****URGENT****3-10-61**b6  
b7c**TO DIRECTOR****FROM SAC, CHICAGO 101600**

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RALPH J. CAPONE, AKA., AR. USA'S OFFICE CHICAGO ADVISED JUDGE PERRY, USDC, CHICAGO, ISSUED HIS ORDER DIRECTING CAPONE APPEAR MARCH 20 NEXT FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING ASSETS TO SATISFY \$200,000 TAX JUDGMENT OUTSTANDING AGAINST HIM. USA'S OFFICE IN CHICAGO HAS BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE CAPONE FOR SERVICE. USA'S OFFICE ADVISED THEY HAD COMMUNICATED WITH DEPT. OF JUSTICE SEEKING BUREAU ASSISTANCE AND WERE ADVISED BY THE DEPARTMENT THAT AUTHORITY WAS GRANTED TO USA'S OFFICE CHICAGO REQUESTING FBI ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING CAPONE. UACB CHICAGO WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE CAPONE IN ORDER THAT PROPER SUBPOENA CAN BE SERVED ON HIM BY USM'S OFFICE.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

To: Director, FBI

Date: 2/20/61

From: SAC, Salt Lake City (94-324)

Subject: RALPH JAMES CAPONE, Was.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

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Due to the opening of the Las Vegas Office, the following changes in the above case have been made:

A. Location of File

- ( XX ) Entire file sent to Las Vegas herewith.  
( ) File sent to Las Vegas, except one copy of the following serials.  
( ) File retained in Salt Lake City but one copy of following serials sent to Las Vegas.

Report of SA \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

Report of SA \_\_\_\_\_

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Report of SA \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

B. Office of Origin

- ( ) Salt Lake City  
( ) Las Vegas  
( XX ) Other Office as shown in file

C. Status, SU Office

- ( ) Pending  
( XX ) RUC

- ① - Bureau  
1 - Las Vegas (Encl.s 1) (92-304)  
1 - Salt Lake City (66-1671)  
1 - Milwaukee (94-319)  
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BULKY EXHIBIT - INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED AS EVIDENCE

Bufile: 92-3001

MILWAUKEE Field Division

2/1/61 Date

Title and Character of Case:

RALPH <sup>Q</sup>CAPONE, AKA  
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Date Property Acquired:

7/29/60

Source From Which Property Acquired:

FBI CHICAGO

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit:

Bulky Exhibit File Drawer

Reason for Retention of Property and  
Efforts Made to Dispose of Same:

Further Investigation

Description of Property or Exhibit and  
Identity of Agent Submitting Same:

20 Photostats of items relating to alledged assets of subject  
CAPONE and covering results of investigation conducted by the  
Internal Revenue Service as well as Federal Income Tax Returns  
relating to the subject's business - the Suburban Cigarette  
Service, Brookfield, Ill.

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BULKY EXHIBIT - INVENTORY OF PROPERTY ACQUIRED AS EVIDENCE

Bufile: MILWAUKEE Field Division

8/1/60 Date

Title and Character of Case: RALPH CAPONE, AKA  
AR *HR*

Date Property Acquired: July 29, 1960

Source From Which Property Acquired: FBI CHICAGO

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit: Bulky Exhibit File Drawer

Reason for Retention of Property and  
Efforts Made to Dispose of Same: Further Investigation

Description of Property or Exhibit and  
Identity of Agent Submitting Same:

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This investigation resulted from a request  
of the Civil Division of the Department  
to locate any assets of Ralph Capone,  
brother of "Al" Capone, in Western District  
of Wisconsin to satisfy a judgment of <sup>in excess of</sup>  
over \$200,000. *From what?* *Kenneth  
Garrett  
4/6/61*

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
APR 6 1961  
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Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. Ingram	
Miss Gandy	
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URGENT 4-6-61 12-26 AM  
TO DIRECTOR FBI 92-3001 AND SAC TAMPA  
FROM SAC CHICAGO 92-442

RALPH JAMES CAPONE, AKA., AR, AFA. RALPH J. CAPONE INTERVIEWED THIS  
DATE BY SAs WILLIAM F. ROEMER JR. AND DENNIS W. SHANAHAN AT OFFICE  
OF WILLIAM BRANTMAN, ACCOUNTANT, TEN SOUTH LA SALLE, CHICAGO. AT  
CONCLUSION OF INTERVIEW, CAPONE WAS SERVED BY DEPUTY MARSHAL

WITH SUBPOENA CALLING FOR CAPONE-S APPEARANCE BEFORE <sup>U.S. DIST. COURT</sup> USDC JUDGE  
<sup>NORTHERN DIST. OF ILLINOIS</sup> J. SAMUEL PERRY, NDI, ON MAY TWENTY TWO SIXTY ONE. THE SERVICE OF THIS  
SUBPOENA WAS A RESULT OF INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED TO  
LOCATE CAPONE. ALL KNOWN HANGOUTS WERE CONTACTED IN THE COURSE OF  
LOCATING HIM. LEADS WERE SET FORTH AT HIS RESIDENCE AND VACATION SITES.  
MODE OF TRANSPORTATION WAS DEVELOPED BY MILWAUKEE. A SUITABLE PRETEXT  
WAS ARRANGED AT CHICAGO THROUGH ONE OF CAPONE-S KNOWN BUSINESS INTERESTS  
TO INTERVIEW CAPONE WHICH LED TO THE SUCCESSFUL SERVICE ON HIM. TAMPA  
DISCONTINUE.

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TP OK FBI TP VED

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Trans to Bureau  
4-6-61 JCB: pmd

cc: Mr. Evans

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UNITED STATES

## Memorandum

TO : Mr. Parsons *MP*

FROM : C. A. Evans *CE*

SUBJECT: RALPH JAMES CAPONE

DATE: 4/6/61

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With reference to the Director's inquiry as to what a judgment of \$200,000 against Ralph Capone was for, this is to advise that this judgment was for Federal income tax deficiencies together with accrued costs, penalties and interest..

The judgment was rendered in Federal District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, November 28, 1959.

This for your information.

1 - Mr. Rosen

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